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- husband
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The Evening Star, Tuesday, January 3, 1978

Anna Engelhard

GARRETT — Anna S. Engelhard, 86, 317 S. Cowen St., Garrett, died Monday at 5:10 p.m. in Garrett Community Hospital. Death was attributed to complications. She had been in failing health for several years and in the hospital since Nov. 28, 1977.

Mrs. Engelhard was a member of Garrett's Stern family. She was born in Offenbach-am-Glan, Germany on March 14, 1891 to the late Lazarus and Sarah Stern. She married Moses Engelhard on Jan. 23, 1921 in Fort Wayne. He preceded her in death in June 1957. She was a housewife.

Her survivors include a daughter, Caroline (Mrs. Abner) Rosenberg, 303 S. Harrison St., Garrett; a son, Alfred Engelhard, Fort Wayne, and his wife, Frances.

Also surviving are two brothers, Herman Stern, 319 S. Cowen St., Garrett; and Fred Stern, Michigan City, Ind.; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was a member of the Acduth-Vesholom Temple in Fort Wayne, the Temple Sisterhood, the B'nai Brith Women and Hadassah.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rabbi Richard B. Safran of Acduth-Vesholom Temple will officiate. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today. Memorials to Garrett Community Hospital or Acduth-Vesholom Temple are preferred.

Marie Carnahan

Marie E. Carnahan, 77, was found dead at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in her home at 223 W. Seventh St. in Auburn. Her death came unexpectedly.

Mrs. Carnahan was the wife of the late Glen C. Carnahan. They were married June 27, 1924 in Michigan. He preceded her in death on July 12, 1956.

She was born in DeKalb County on August 23, 1900 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Jarrett. She lived most of her life in the county. She was a housewife.

Her survivors include two sons, K. Dwight Carnahan, Route 2, Butler; and DeVern Carnahan, Fort Wayne; also three brothers, two sisters, 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. John Dicken, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Cletus Aschleman

AUBURN — Cletus Aschleman, 64, died Monday at 9 p.m. in his home at 522 E. Indiana Ave. in Auburn. He lived there the past 22 years.

He was born in Ohio to Mrs. and Mrs. John Aschleman. He married Violet Diederich, deceased. He was retired from Warner Gear Corp.

Surviving him are one son, Larry, Route 1, County Road 45, Auburn; one sister, Mrs. James (Janet) Jackson, Rural South Milford, Ind.; four brothers, William, Raymond and Amos, all of Auburn, and Elmer, North Manchester; three sisters, Mrs. LaVern Stucky, Mrs. Adeline Stucky and Mrs. Harold (Mildred) Palmer, all of Auburn; and four grandchildren.

His funeral will be at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home at 10 a.m. Thursday. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Gladys Starkey

WATERLOO — L. Gladys Starkey, 78, died Monday at 2:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She lived at 230 W. Union St. in Waterloo.

She was born on Nov. 17, 1899 [illegible] sister, Alice Marquette, Powell, Ohio; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Her funeral will be at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo at 2 p.m. Thursday. The Rev. Max Smith will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Mrs. Starkey was a member of the Waterloo Eastern Star Chapter No. 142. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County School for the Handicapped or to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday.

No Obituary on Weds., January 4, 1978
No Obituary on Thurs., January 5, 1978

The Evening Star, Friday, January 6, 1978

Nelson Souder

Nelson T. Souder, 78, Route 3, Auburn, died Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Souder, a retired factory employee, was a 40-year resident of the Auburn area. He was born Oct. 8, 1898 in Leo to the late Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Souder.

His survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Wendell (Lillian) Jones, 4748 Ashland Drive, Fort Wayne, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

Betty Jane Kief

Betty Jane Kief, 54, 1604 Sprott St., Auburn, died Thursday morning in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for one week.

Mrs. Kief had been a resident of Auburn for 10 years. She was born May 10, 1922 in Noble County to the late Archie and Ruth (Kitchen) Hahn. She was a housewife.

Her husband, Darold Kief, survives. The couple was married Sept. 19, 1939.

Also surviving are five children, Richard, Edgerton, O., Mrs. Edward (Rose Ann) Ludwig, Newville; Terry, at home; Mrs. Thomas (Debbie) Day, at home, and Wanda, Auburn; a brother, Tom Hahn, Huntertown; two sisters, Mrs. Paul (Ollie) Sturgis, Wolcottville and Barbara; and five grandchildren

She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Phillip Lutz will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Friday.

Mayme L. Weber

Miss Mayme L. Weber, 93, died at 4:15 this morning in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, where she had been hospitalized since Jan. 2.

A resident of 403½ S. Main St. in Auburn since the late 1930's, she had been a patient at Sacred Heart Home in Avilla for the past five years.

Miss Weber had been employed as a seamstress for Schaab's Department Store and Trovinger's. She was born in LaPorte on March 25, 1884.

Her survivors include five nieces, Mrs. Agnes Carteaux and Miss Mary Weber, both of Kendallville; Sister Lucille Weber, C.S.C, and Sister Trinitas Weber, C.S.C., both of South Bend; and Miss Edna Weber, Union City; and one nephew, Father Edward Weber, S.M., Dayton, O.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn, where she was a former member. Msgr. Leo A. Hoffman will officiate. Burial will be in Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Monday at the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, where a rosary service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Charles J. Wolf

AVILLA — Charles J. Wolf, 88, 324 Lewis St., Avilla, died at 10:50 p.m. Friday at McCray Memorial Hospital following a brief illness.

Mr. Wolf, a lifelong Avilla resident, was born May 8, 1889, the son of William and Margaret (Hess) Wolf. He married Matilda (Tillie) Housholder Dec. 19, 1912. She died March 28, 1975.

Mr. Wolf, a retired farmer, was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. William (Velma) Hunter, Kendallville; Mrs. Robert (Hilda) Croy, Largo, Fla., and Mrs. Del Mar (Doris) Johnson, Auburn; a son, Charles Wolf, Avilla; a sister, Miss Nora Wolf, Avilla, a brother, Ervin Wolf, Avilla; 12 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

One son, Harold Wolf, was killed in World War 11.

Calling will be at the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday and after 12 noon Monday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla.

Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Monday at the church with Rev. Dean Bearman officiating.

Burial will be in the Immanuel Lutheran Church cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Iden G. Halferty

Iden G. Halferty, 73, died early Friday morning in his home at 415 W. Fifteenth St., Auburn. He was a retired Dana Corporation employee and a 25-year resident of his Fifteenth Street home.

Mr. Halferty was born April 11, 1904 in Auburn. On July 3, 1952, he married Audrey Kline, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Marion Halferty, Auburn; Lynn Halferty, South Milford; and Charles Kline, Auburn; three daughters, Mrs. Marvin (Vivian) Swagart, California; Mrs. Ralph (Caroline) Barkey, Kendallville; Mrs. Homer (Annie) Willis, Cottage Grove, Minn.; and Mrs. Everett (Beverly) Stebing, Fort Wayne; 30 grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. A Jehovah Witness ceremony will be held. Burial will be in Mount Pleasant cemetery near Avilla.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Monday, January 9, 1978

Death

Doris Tobias

DUNKIRK, Ind. — Doris Tobias died early Monday morning at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie. She was the wife of Rev. Stanley Tobias, former four-year assistant pastor at the First Methodist Church in Auburn. He now serves at M.P. Taber Church in Dunkirk, Ind.

She is survived by one daughter, Christine, and one son, Mark, both of Dunkirk.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at M.P. Taber Church, 318 S. Franklin St., Dunkirk. Viewing is scheduled for 2-9 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tuesday, January 10, 1978

Death

Carl Lachner

FORT WAYNE — Carl C. Lachner, 70, died Sunday at 7:55 p.m. at Fort Wayne's Parkview Hospital. He made his latest residence at 2507 Parnell Ave. in Fort Wayne. He retired in 1972 from the Indiana and Michigan Electric Co.

He married Golda Draggoo, surviving. He is also survived by one son, Richard A. Lachner, Idaville; three brothers, two grandsons and two sisters, one of whom, Eleanor Johnson, lives in Garrett.

His funeral will be at the United Methodist Church, Crescent Ave., at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

The Evening Star, Wednesday, January 11, 1978

Benjamin Garard

FORT WAYNE — Benjamin C. Garard, 89, died at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Parkview Memorial Hospital. He lived at 918 Lagro Drive, Fort Wayne. He was retired from Central Printing Co. in Fort Wayne.

He married Blanche Marvin, deceased. He is survived by two sons; Blaine I. and Charles (Al), both of Fort Wayne; one half-sister, Mary Alberta Minser, Tucson, Arizona; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Bryan, Ohio F&AM Lodge.

His funeral wil be at McCombs Lakeside Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, at 10 a.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Raymond Casebere

FORT WAYNE — Raymond H. Casebere, 67, died Monday at 1:05 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital. He had been ill since Dec. 6. He was born July 20, 1910 to Lester and Lottie (McDaniel) Casebere, near Butler. The lifetime area resident lived at 218 W. Main St. He was a retired Surge route salesman.

He married Genevieve (Becky) Poper, surviving, on July 16, 1930 in Defiance, Ohio. He is also survived by two daughters; Nancy Sholl, Hicksville, Ohio, Sue Cherry, Fort Wayne; one son, Gene, Route 1, St. Joe; one sister, Mrs. Helen Jacobus, Bradington, Fla., and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Casebere was a member of the Butler Church of Christ and the Butler Eagles Lodge.

His funeral will be at Johnson Funeral Home on Friday at 1 p.m. The Rev. Wayne Michael of the Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

No Obituary on Thurs., January 12, 1978

Ermiel Moyer

AUBURN — Ermiel P. (Spike) Moyer, 62, died Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at his home, 1122 Donald St., West Edge Trailer Park, Auburn. He worked 22 years for the New York Central Railroad, and the last 12 years for Charleston Metal Products Corp., Waterloo.

He was born Aug. 20, 1915 to Elijah and Mabel (Warstler) Moyer in Montpelier, Ind. His mother survives in Hartford City, Ind.

He is also survived by his wife, Ruth (Kerns), Toledo, Ohio, whom he married on July 19, 1940. Also surviving him are one daughter, Jean Warstler, Route 2 Hamilton; one brother, Eldon Moyer, Kendallville; two sisters, Elloise Caylor, Fort Wayne and Dorothy Moyer, Hartford City; and four grandchildren.

His funeral will be at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo at 2 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Cecil King will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

Sherman Ransbottom

CORUNNA — Sherman Ransbottom, 45, died Wednesday evening in Fort Wayne's Parkview Hospital. The former Auburn resident lived in Corunna. He worked at Danning Corp.

He was born in Mongo, Ind. on July 23, 1932 to Harold and Sarah (Wells) Ransbottom. He is survived by his wife, Viva (Worthington); four sons, Edwin, Fremont; Richie, Garrett; Jeffrey, Avilla; and Sherman, Garrett; five daughters, Mrs. Earl (Pamela) Brown, Avilla; Mrs. Joseph (Cynthia) Willey, Corunna; Mrs. Rick (Delsie) Rowe, Fremont; Karen Helbert, Garrett; and Viva Ransbottom, Corunna; two sisters, Mrs. Virgil (Ella) Tyler, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Orval (Alverta) Sprague, Auburn; two brothers, Lawrence, Rome City and Harold, Bronson, Mich; and six grandchildren.

His funeral will be at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont on Saturday at 1 p.m. The Rev. Lee Bracy will officiate. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery in Orland, Ind.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-9 p.m. on Friday.

Irvin Rhoads

LOUDONVILLE, Ohio — Irvin H. Rhoads, Jr., 47, an Auburn native, died of an apparent heart attack Wednesday at 10 p.m. in his Loudonville home.

Mr. Rhoads was the son of Mrs. Irvin Rhoads, Lakeshore Ave., Auburn. His father preceded him in death. He was born in Auburn July 29, 1930 and graduated from Auburn High School in 1948.

He was a jeweler and watchmaker, and was a graduate of the Horological Institute at Pittsburgh, Pa.

His survivors include his wife, the former Julie Pifer, whom he married in Warsaw in 1953.

Also surviving are three children, Ronald of Fort Wayne, and Mark and Linda at home. One son preceded him in death. Two brothers, Howard of Waterloo and Marion of Howe, Ind., and two sisters, Delores Rhoads of Waterloo and Esther Boyd of Corunna, survive.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in Banks Funeral Home, Loudonville, Ohio. Rev. Hill, the Methodist pastor there, will officiate. Burial will be in Loudonville Cemetery.

Friends may call this evening at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Saturday, January 14, 1978

Death

Madge Larkin

BUTLER — Madge Larkin, 74, Route 1, Butler, died at her home Friday at 9 a.m. She had been ill for about a week.

Mrs. Larkin was born on Oct. 11, 1903, daughter of John and Helen (Bennett) Thiel. She was a lifelong area resident.

On Jan. 14, 1922, Mrs. Larkin married John M. Larkin in Butler. Mr. Larkin died Sept. 21, 1972. A son, Robert, also preceded Mrs. Larkin in death.

Mrs. Larkin was a housewife.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Naomi Hose, Route 1, Butler, and a son, Richard, of Decatur. Mrs. Larkin had seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Johnson Funeral Home Monday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Thayne Bodenmiller, Community Bible Church, will officiate. Burial will be at the Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Louise Baker

Louise E. Baker, 96, a former Auburn resident, died Sunday at 3 a.m. in Los Angeles, Cal. She moved from Auburn to Los Angeles 11 years ago, and lived at 6000 Tolte Way.

Mrs. Baker and her late husband, Leroy C., were former custodians for the First Methodist Church of Auburn. Mr. Baker preceded her in death on Aug. 16, 1973.

She is survived by two daughters, Marie Baker and Irma Hammon, both of Los Angeles, three grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Auburn First United Methodist Church. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the church from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday. Bale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ethel Kinsley

DOVER, OHIO — Ethel I. Kinsley, 92, died Saturday at 1:45 p.m. in Hemmis Nursing home in Dover, Ohio. She had been ill two weeks. She lived at 410 S. Guilford St. in Garrett.

She was born April 6, 1885 in Uhrichville, Ohio. She was married to Joseph C. Kinsley, deceased, on June 11, 1904 in Dover, Ohio.

She is survived by one brother and one sister, E.J. Battershell and Mrs. Elmer E. Emig, both of New Philadelphia, Ohio; a mother-in-law, Mrs. William J. Kinsley, Garrett; one grandchild, three step grandchildren, two great grandchildren and 12 step-grandchildren.

Mrs. Kinsley was a member of the Eastern Star, the United Methodist Women and the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Garrett's McKee Funeral Home. The Rev. Ron Bowman will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. An Order of the Eastern Star service will be at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 7-9 p.m. today.

Mina Soule

Mrs. Mina E. Soule, 86, 406 S. Phillip St., Auburn, died in her home Sunday at 10:10 a.m. She was a 26 year resident of Auburn, moving from Allen County where she was born.

She was the wife of the late Charles M. Soule. They were married April 20, 1916 and he preceded her in death on May 19, 1972. She was a farm housewife.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. William Kock of Garrett; three sons, Robert M. of Syracuse, Ind. and George M. and Frank R., both of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Eva Garman of Auburn and Bertha Killian of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren, one step-grandchild, one great-grandchild, and four step-great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and Senior Citizens of Auburn.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. John Dicken, her pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Rawell Weilert

MARION — Rawell Weilert, 68, died at Marion General Hospital Sunday at 12:36 p.m. He lived at 2722 S. Washington St. in Marion since 1956. He previously lived in Garrett. He owned the Owen—Weilert Funeral Home in Marion.

He was born Nov. 2, 1909 in Garrett, to Clarence (Sylvia) Weilert. He married Hope Swalley who survives. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Leona Smith, Hillsdale, Mich.

Among many other organizations, Mr. Weilert was a member of the Garrett City Masonic Lodge and the Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Wayne.

His funeral will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at Garrett's McKee Funeral Home. The Rev. Ron Bowman will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. A Masonic service will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tuesday, January 17, 1978

Calvin R. Weber

Calvin R. Weber, prominent county engineer and McCray Memorial Hospital board member, died at 12:26 a.m. today at McCray following his admittance Sunday.

Born March 19, 1924 he was the son of Rollie and Cleo (Huntsman) Weber. He married Barbara J. Asher Aug. 23, 1947. She survives.

Others surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Brent (Elizabeth Ann) McDowell, Green Township; two sons, Raymond C. Weber, and Leslie A. Weber, both of Albion; two sisters, Mrs. Richard (Daisy) Winebrenner and Eva Weber, both of Albion; two brothers, Elton J. Weber and Dale Weber, both of Albion; and three grandchildren.

Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Burr Oak Baptist Church with Rev. Phil L. Powell officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Brazzell Funeral Home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

The body will be transferred to the church Thursday at 12:30 p.m.

The family requests that memorials be made to the McCray Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

The Evening Star, Wednesday, January 18, 1978

Kenneth Pickering

GARRETT — Kenneth C. "Red" Pickering, 65, 908 S. Lee St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital at Fort Wayne. He had been ill for two years and hospitalized since Dec. 7. Death was attributed to complications.

Mr. Pickering was the manager of the sporting goods department of James Hardware and Sporting Goods in Garrett from 1970-76. Before that, he was a manufacturer's representative in sporting goods, retiring from that post in 1968.

He was born June 18, 1912 in New Paris, Ind. to the late Pearl and Ruth Pickering. He married Helen Mayfield in Auburn on Sept. 16, 1939. She is his only immediate surviving relative.

He was a member of Garrett United Methodist Church, its men's club and the Questers Sunday school class. He also belonged to the Garrett Rotary Club.

His funeral will be Friday at 10 a.m. in Garrett United Methodist Church. Rev. Ronald Bowman, its pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Helen Kobelia

GARRETT — Helen J. Kobelia, 67, 510 S. Hampshire St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 4:40 a.m. in Fort Wayne's Parkview Memorial Hospital. Death was attributed to a stroke. She had been a patient there since Jan. 8.

Miss Kobelia was a former clerk at Gingery's Department Store in Garrett, and was a lifelong resident of Garrett. She was born Nov. 28, 1910 to the late John and Leona Kobelia.

Her survivors include a brother, Adam, and a sister, Marian Kobelia, both of Garrett.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Rosary Society and the Daughters of Isabella.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. today. A rosary service will be held at 7:30 tonight at the funeral home.

No Obituary on Thurs., January 19, 1978

Jasper Spencer

GARRETT — Jasper B. Spencer, 82, 814 S. Cowen St., Garrett, died Tuesday in Garrett Community Hospital.

Mr. Spencer was a retired B&O Railroad employee. He was born Sept. 25, 1895 in Winchester, Tenn. to the late Felix and Phoebie Spencer. He married the former Beatrice M. Strawser, who survives, on Oct. 10, 1913.

Other survivors include two sons, Robert Spencer of Auburn and John. W. of Norfolk, Va.; three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Eleanor) Smith and Mrs. John (June) Koch, both of Garrett, and Mrs. Raymond (Betty) Harris of Mount Prospect, Ill.; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 to 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Lila Smith

Lila A. Smith, 67, Route 1, Corunna, died today at 3:20 a.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital.

Born in LaGrange County, Jan. 19, 1910, she was the daughter of Judson and Ellen (Sidel) Perkins. She married Ora Smith in Kendallville, April 4, 1929. He survives.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church and its Ladies Aid Society.

Survivors besides the husband are two daughters, Mrs. Maryellyn Gemmer, Fort Wayne; and Martha Franke, Sylvania, Ohio; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Two brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Zion Lutheran Church with Rev. Kenneth Gerike officiating.

Burial will be in the Zion

Helen Kobelia

GARRETT — Helen J. Kobelia, 67, 510 S. Hampshire St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 4:40 a.m. in Fort Wayne's Parkview Memorial Hospital. Death was attributed to a stroke. She had been a patient there since Jan. 8.

Miss Kobelia was a former clerk at Gingery's Department Store in Garrett, and was a lifelong resident of Garrett. She was born Nov. 28, 1910 to the late John and Leona Kobelia.

Her survivors include a brother, Adam, and a sister, Marian Kobelia, both of Garrett.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Rosary Society and the Daughters of Isabella.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Rev. Donald Isenberger, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. today. A rosary service will be held at 7:30 tonight at the funeral home.

No Obituary on Thurs., January 19, 1978

Leslie Graves

BUTLER — Leslie O. Graves, 54, Route 1, Butler, died Thursday at 12:10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for 10 days and hospitalized for three days.

Mr. Graves was a member of the Country Travelers band and an employee of Universal Tool & Stamping in Butler. He was born Jan. 1, 1924 in West Virginia to the late Arthur and Lola Graves.

He married Rita Schuster, who survives, in Auburn on Sept. 14, 1943. Other survivors are five children, Charlene Rose of Bryan, Ohio and Jennifer, Joseph, Esther and Daniel, all at home; two brothers, Randle of Butler and Cecil of Port Clinton, Ohio; three sisters, Leuella Dennison of Garrett, Louise Casselman of Stroh and Lola Graves of Auburn; and one grandchild. Two sons preceded him in death.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Garrett.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Charles Dickenson, pastor of the Rescue Mission in Fort Wayne, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery at Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

John Williamson

COOS BAY, Ore. — John A. Williamson, 64, an Auburn native, died last Monday in his home at Coos Bay, Oregon. He had been ill for two weeks.

Mr. Williamson was born in Auburn on Aug. 2, 1913 to Harry and Alice Williamson. His mother survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are three sons, Jan and John, both of Union City, Cal., and Jimmy of Coos Bay, Ore.; three daughters, Mrs. Sandra Ramsey of LaGrange, Mrs. Joann Marzoline, Carson City, Nev.; and Judy Robertson, Auburn; one brother, two sisters, 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery at Auburn. Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate.

Bale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Floyd Petty

Floyd L. Petty, 74, 413 E. Ninth St., Auburn, died Thursday night at 9:15 in Fort Wayne's Lutheran Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Edith, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements are pending, with Bale Funeral Home in charge.

Vern Yocum

Vern V. Yocum, 82, Route 2, Waterloo, died Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, following an illness of five years.

Born July 9, 1895 in Mercer County, Ohio, he was the son of Cyrus and Fannie (Wepler) Yocum. He married Jeanette Pierce Aug. 16, 1941 in South Bend. She survives.

Mr. Yocum was a retired farmer and had been a Fairfield area resident 30 years coming from Fort Wayne. He was a World War I veteran.

Survivors besides the wife are one son, Melvin C. Yocum, Woodside, Calif; one sister, Mrs. Gertrude Borgensen, Las Vegas, Nev.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded him in death.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier of the First Presbyterian Church, Kendallville, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home tonight from 7-9 p.m. and from 12-2 p.m. Friday.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Parkinson Foundation, Chicago, Ill.

Talitha Fiandt

Talitha T. Fiandt, 75, Shockopee Lake, Kendallville, died Thursday at 3:32 p.m. at the home of a daughter, Route 2, Waterloo.

Born in LaGrange County, July 15, 1902, she was the daughter of George A. and Delphia (Ross) Gehring. She married Dallas Fiandt who preceded her in death in 1961.

Mrs. Fiandt had been Noble County Welfare Director for 20 years. She was a member of the Home Ec Club, Wayne Center United Methodist Church, Delphian Club, Order of Eastern Star No. 122, the National Federation of BPW, Albion; American Association of Teachers, American Red Cross, Cancer Society, the TB Society and was on the Kendallville Public Library board.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Oscar (Gloria) Deetz, Route 2, Waterloo; and Mrs. Charles (Patnella) Fawley, Fort Wayne; three sons, Dallas Fiandt Jr., New Orleans, La.; Max A. Fiandt, Goshen; and Billy E. Fiandt, Indianapolis; two sisters, Marcella Bair, and Ethel Shultz, both of Kendallville; two brothers, Arthur Gehring, Kendallville; and James Gehring, Wolcottville; 18 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Two granddaughters preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the Wayne Center United Methodist Church with Rev. David Overmyer and Rev. George Manley officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Hite Funeral Home from 7:30-9 p.m. tonight, and after 2 p.m. Saturday.

The family requests memorials be made to the Wayne Center United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society.

Ford Ferguson

Ford M. Ferguson, 72, 714 E. Fifth St., Auburn, died Friday at 4 p.m. at his home.

Mr. Ferguson was born Feb. 6, 1905, in Delta, Ohio, the son of Rev. Joseph and Cora (Kosht) Ferguson. He had resided at the Fifth Street address for 40 years.

Mr. Ferguson had worked at the Messenger Corporation in Auburn until his retirement.

On April 2, 1927, he married Ferne Hook, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Hugh (Julie) Western, Auburn; and two grandchildren. One brother preceeded Mr. Ferguson in death.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, the Rev. Clarence Bangs, pastor of the First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday. The family requests memorials be given to the Rev. William A. Heimach Memorial Fund.

Floyd L. Petty

Funeral arrangements have been completed for Floyd L. Petty, 74, 413 E. Ninth St., Auburn, who died Thursday at 9:15 p.m. in Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital. He had been ill since November and hospitalized for four weeks.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Auburn First United Methodist Church, where Mr. Petty was a member. Rev. John Dicken, his pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at Bale Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Sunday. The body will lie in state at the church from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Monday.

Memorials to the First United Methodist Church are preferred.

In addition to the church, Mr. Petty was a member of the Masonic lodge and the Knights of Pythias.

He taught school in Ohio and St. Joe, Indiana, and was a former employee of Southern Michigan Wholesale Grocery Co. in Auburn. He lived most of his life in the Auburn area.

Mr. Petty was born in Belmont County, Ohio on March 18, 1903, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Petty. He married Edith C. Keller in Butler on April 8, 1950. His wife survives, along with several nieces and nephews.

Marie C. Stoll

KENDALLVILLE — Marie C. Stoll, 97, died Thursday at 4 a.m. in the Lutheran Home at Kendallville. She was the wife of the late Frederick Stoll and formerly lived at 603 S. Lee St., Garrett.

She is survived by two stepdaughters, Mrs. Alfred Woodcock of Auburn and Mrs. Elden Knapp of Garrett; two stepsons, Walter Stoll of Ossian and Leroy Stoll of Garrett; and a foster son, William.

Her funeral was held at 1:30 p.m. today in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett.

Russell Marks

WATERLOO — Russell R. Marks, 71, 600 W. Lincoln St., died at his home Sunday at 8:45 a.m. He was a retired truck driver.

Mr. Marks was born in Mansfield, Ohio, on Sept. 22, 1906, son of Louis and Mary (Derrow) Marks. On July 25, 1932, he and his wife, Estell, were married at Coldwater, Mich. Mrs. Marks survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert Marks, Waterloo, two daughters, Mrs. Irma Bump, Hillsdale, Mich., and Mrs. Marguerite Slone, Auburn, and two brothers, Lloyd and Melvin Marks, both of Auburn.

A brother and one daughter preceded Mr. Marks in death.

Mr. Marks had five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home Wednesday at 2 p.m. The reverends Edward Vanderpool and Max Smith will officiated the service. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Elizabeth Shanton

Elizabeth A. Shanton, 84, Kendallville Nursing Home, died Sunday at 10:40 a.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient since Jan. 2.

Born in Pierceton Oct. 5, 1893, she was the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Pegg) Rhodes. She married Robert Bruce Shanton in Pierceton in 1914. He preceded her in death in 1956.

Mrs. Shanton had lived in Kendallville three years coming from Fort Wayne.

Survivors are three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One son, Maurice Shanton preceded her in death in 1975.

Funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with Rev. John E. Weeks of Trinity Church United Methodist officiating.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home tonight from 7-9 p.m.

Jeffry Wolfe

Jeffry A. Wolfe, 27, Hartford City, died early Sunday in that city.

Born in Kendallville, April 16, 1950, he was the son of Eugene D. and Evelyne (Baker) Wolfe.

Mr. Wolfe had lived in Hartford City 1½ years. Prior to that he had lived in Marion and Huntertown. He was employed by the Penn Central Railroad and was a Vietnam veteran.

Survivors are the parents who reside on Cedar Canyon Road, Huntertown; and one brother, Stephen L. Wolfe, Old Lima Road, Huntertown.

One brother, Daniel, preceded him in death in 1973.

Funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier of First Presbyterian Church officiating.

Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Wednesday, January 25, 1978

Addison Rohrer

BUTLER — Addison B. Rohrer, 72, 403 W. Main St., Butler, died Monday at 8:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Rohrer was a retired merchant and a 35-year resident of Butler. He was born April 1, 190 in Somonauk, Ill. to the late Charles and Adline (Bernard) Rohrer. He married Ruth Shambaugh on Feb. 1, 1926, and his wife preceded him in death on May 30, 1971.

His survivors include a son, Bernard, of Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. Jeanette Thompson, New Castle, Ind. and Mrs. Margaret Graham, Fort Wayne; a brother, Edwin, Sandwich, Ill.; two sisters, Joan Johnson and Emma Olson, both of Sandwich, Ill.; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Ross Mahan, associate pastor of Auburn Missionary Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Frends may call at the funeral home from 2-9 p.m. today. Memorials to the American Cancer Society are preferred.

Wilma Ward

Wilma Ward, wife of former Auburn pastor Rev. Roger Ward, was killed in an automobile accident Monday while travelling to visit relatives in Indiana.

The Wards lived in Auburn from 1965-67 while Rev. Ward served the Church of the Nazarene. Since leaving Auburn, the Wards have lived in Greentown, Ohio, where Rev. Ward serves the local Church of the Nazarene.

No Obituaries on Thur., January 26; Fri., January 27; Sat., January 28, 1978

Eva Williams

Eva M. Williams, 71, died Saturday at 9:53 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She lived at Route 2, Auburn, County Road 27 South.

She was born Feb. 18, 1906 in Van Wert, Ohio to Herbert and Bertha (Agler) Miller.

She is survived by two sons, Bruce E. Williams, LaPorte, Ind., and Hal E. Williams, Route 1 Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Jackie) Carnahan, Route 2 Auburn; 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Hopewell Women's Missionary Association and the Auburn Eastern Star 103.

Mrs. Williams' funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home on Wednesday at 10 a.m. The Rev. Howard Cherry of the Hopewell Church of the Brethren will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. today.

Dallas Oberlin

PLEASANT LAKE — Dallas L. Oberlin, 36, died Sunday at 1:56 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital from a six-month illness. He lived at Pleasant Lake, Ind., and was employed at Essex International.

He was born March 13, 1939 to Howard and Delores Oberlin. Howard survives him, as does his wife, Marilyn S. Morningstar, whom he married on June 18, 1974.

Mr. Oberlin is also survived by one son, Dallas Leroy Jr., Pleasant Lake; four brothers, Gary, Oberlin, Garrett; Lloyd Morrow, Raymond Morrow and David Morrow of Butler, and Larry Morrow, Fremont; three sisters, Edith Thill, Edgerton, Ohio; Ylonda, Ashley; and Penny Spencer, Angola.

He was a member of the Butler American Legion. His funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Floyd Risser of the Pleasant Lake Harvest Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Ashtan Smith

GARRETT — Ashtan V. Smith, 73, Route 1, Garrett, died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Sunday at 1:44 p.m. Mr. Smith was a retired farmer and Auburn Foundry employee.

Mr. Smith was born in Auburn on May 16, 1904, son of Lincoln and Effie (Dilley) Smith. On Sept. 2, 1922, Mr. Smith married the former Mary Mildred Goe, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Chester, Zeeland, Mich.; Estell, Garrett; and Homer, Twelve Mile, Ind. Three daughters also survive. They are: Lois Stebing, Route 1, Auburn; Romona Rohm, Route 3, Auburn; and Violet Hansche, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Two sisters, Mildred John and Ethel Smith, both of Auburn, also survive. One brother, Ray, preceded Mr. Smith in death.

Mr. Smith had 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Nazarene Church in Auburn and services will be held at the church Thursday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Carl Greek will officiate the service and burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Edith Rynearson

Edith M. Rynearson, 93, died Monday at 7:30 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a one-year illness. The lifelong Auburn resident lived at County Road 32, Route 4.

She was born Feb. 8, 1884 in North Liberty, Ind. to Wesley and Amelia Rickey. She was married on Nov. 16, 1902 to George W. Rynearson, deceased, in North Liberty.

She is survived by one daughter, Ollie (Hazel) Shetler, Archibald, Ohio; four sons, Ronald and Hugh, Route 4, Auburn; Max, Indianapolis; Richard, Garrett; 13 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Rynearson's funeral will be at Garrett's McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. The Rev. Thomas Hensley of the First Church of Christ in Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Ashton Smith

GARRETT — Ashton V. Smith, 73, Route 1, Garrett, died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Sunday at 1:44 p.m. Mr. Smith was a retired farmer and Auburn Foundry employee.

Mr. Smith was born in Auburn on May 16, 1904, son of Lincoln and Effie (Dilley) Smith. On Sept. 2, 1922, Mr. Smith married the former Mary Mildred Goe, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Chester, Zeeland, Mich.; Estell, Garrett; and Homer, Twelve Mile, Ind. Three daughters also survive. They are: Lois Stebing, Route 1, Auburn; Romona Rohm, Route 3, Auburn; and Violet Hansche, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Two sisters, Mildred John and Ethel Smith, both of Auburn, also survive. One brother, Ray, preceded Mr. Smith in death.

Mr. Smith had 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Nazarene Church in Auburn and services will be held at the church Thursday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Carl Greek will officate the service and burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Editor's note: This death notice ran in the Monday Evening Star but is reprinted due to correction in name.

Harry White

BUTLER — Harry E. White, 67, 221 Walnut St., Butler, died Monday at 8:08 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn. He had been a patient there for two weeks.

Mr. White was a retired electrician. He was born in St. Joe on Oct. 25, 1909. He married Iris Cook on July 10, 1937 in Butler. She preceded him in death on Oct. 22, 1967.

His only survivors are nieces and nephews.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Wayne Michael, pastor of the Butler Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., February. 1, 1978

Audrey Hathaway

Audrey M. Hathaway, 67, Route 3, Auburn, died at 5:15 a.m. today in Carlin Park Nursing Home at Angola. She had been ill for three years.

Mrs. Hathaway was a former employee of Rieke Corporation, retiring after 29 years service.

She was a long-time resident of the Auburn area, where she made her home on Road 427 South. She was married to Paul V. Hathaway, Sr. on July 3, 1927. He survives.

Also surviving are three children, Paul V., Jr., Robert E. and Mrs. Hubert (Bessie) Miller, all of Route 3, Auburn; three brothers, Woodrow Drerup, Albert Drerup and Arthur Drerup, all of Corunna; one sister, Mrs. Buford (Catherine) Brand, rural Ashley; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was born in Noble County on June 30, 1909 to the late Gerhart and Bessie (Lindsley) Drerup. One brother also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Hathaway was a member of the Women of the Moose.

Her funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Clarence Bangs, pastor of First Christian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Warren Rathert

QUINCY, Mich. — Warren (Bud) Rathert, 62, a former Auburn resident, died Saturday at 5:20 p.m. in Quincy after an illness of eight months.

Mr. Rathert moved from Auburn to Michigan in 1961. From 1961-66 he owned and operated Rathert Marine on Marble Lake. From 1966-74 he owned and operated B&D Tool and Die in Quincy. He later sold the company, but managed it until July 1977 when his illness forced his retirement.

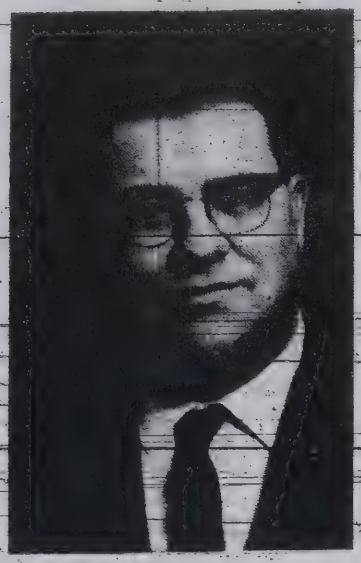
He was born Oct. 12, 1915 in Chicago to the late Henry and Edith (Swanson) Rathert. He married Deloris Madden on Jan. 4, 1961 in Montpelier, Ohio. She survives. The couple made their home at 1124 Williams Drive, Quincy.

Also surviving are two sons, Michael of Quincy and Larry of Detroit; a daughter, Mrs. Fremont J. (Sandy) Winchell, Hillsdale, Mich.; two brothers, Stanley of Auburn and Lawrence of Waterloo; and 11 grandchildren.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Auburn and the Coldwater Elks.

His funeral was Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Putnam Funeral Home, Coldwater, Mich. Rev. Delmar Case, pastor of Lakeview Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery at Quincy.

The Evening Star, Thurs., February 2, 1978



Ralph G. Myers
Seeks third term

Death

Melvin Marks

Melvin E. Marks, 57, 808 Dallas St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been hospitalized four days.

Mr. Marks was a truck driver and a lifetime resident of Auburn. He was born in Auburn on Feb. 5, 1920 to the late Aubry Louis Marks and Mary Louise Marks.

He married Virginia Frazier on June 10, 1944 in Auburn. She survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. George (Jewell) Traster, Waterloo; a brother Lloyd Marks, Auburn; and one grandchild. Two brothers preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey, pastor emeritus of Auburn First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Fri., February 3, 1978

Wilbur Lemper

Wilbur J. Lemper, 67, 905 S. Van Buren St., Auburn died Thursday at 4:11 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a one-week illness. He worked at Hubbard Spool in Garrett.

He was born on March 12, 1910 in rural Avilla, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry and Henrettia (Borck) Lemper. He married Pearl Northhouse, who survives, on July 30, 1941.

He is survived by four sons; Richard, Hicksville, Ohio; Jerry, San Juan, Calif.; John, Fort Sill, Okla. and Mike, Auburn; two daughters; Mrs. James (Mary) Fender, Auburn, and Mrs. Judith Streets, Route 2 Auburn; three brothers; Bernard and Herman, Route 2 Auburn, and Howard, Florida; three sisters; Mrs. Walter (Lucille) Weimer, Auburn; Mrs. Roger (Helen) Close, Birmingham, Mich., and James (Delores) Farrell, Hendersonville, N.C.; 16 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Mr. Lemper's funeral will be Monday at 10 a.m. at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home. Msgr. Leo Hoffman of Auburn's Immaculate Conception Church will officiate. Burial will be in Auburn's Catholic Cemetery.

A Sunday rosary service at 7:30 p.m. will be held at the funeral home.

Friends may call at Dilgard and Cline after 3 p.m. Sunday.

No Obituary on Sat., February 4, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., February 6, 1978

Mellie E. Warner

HUNTERTOWN — Mellie E. Warner, 92, died from a stroke on Sunday at 1:50 p.m. in Byron Health Center, Fort Wayne. She was a resident of Route 1, Huntertown before moving to the center five years ago.

Mrs. Warner was the wife of the late Anson E. Warner, who preceded her in death on April 3, 1967. She was a housewife. She was born Feb. 4, 1886 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Bunting. She married the late Mr. Warner in Huntertown in 1904.

She is survived by a son, Erman, of Huntertown, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Officiating will be Rev. C.L. Hendrix, pastor of Huntertown United Methodist Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials to Huntertown United Methodist Church are preferred.

Ruby Savoie

Ruby A. Savoie, 76, Box 74, Brimfield, died Sunday at 1:20 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient since November.

Born March 8, 1901 in Brimfield, she was the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ramer) Schott. She married Walter J. Savoie who preceded her in death in 1962.

Mrs. Savoie was a housewife and a member of the Brimfield United Methodist Church and the Laidies Aid Society.

Survivors are one son, Bernard Savoie, Route 1, Kendallville; two daughters, Mrs. Harold (Virginia) Frick, Route 1, Wawaka; and Mrs. Jack (Rosemary) Squire, Brimfield; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A daughter, Frances Bowman; two brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Brimfield United Methodist Church.

Burial will be in Orange Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Hite Funeral Home tonight from 7-9 and after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Heart Fund, Cancer Fund, or the Brimfield United Methodist Church.

Eva M. Thorne

ANGOLA — Eva M. Thorne, 81, Angola, was dead on arrival at Cameron Memorial Hospital in Angola on Saturday at 8:35 p.m. She was a 10-year resident of the Angola, where she lived at Shady Acres Mobile Home Park.

Mrs. Thorne was the mother of the late Bob Thorne of Garrett. He preceded her in death in 1972. She is survived by threegtapol on April 23, 1896 to the at 8:35 p.m. She was a 10-year resident of the AOLA, WAS DEAD ON ARRIVAL AT Cameron Memorial Hospital in Angola on Saturday at 8:35 p.m. She was a 10-year resident of Angola, where she lived at Shady Acres Mobile Home Park.

Mrs. Thorne was the mother of the late Bob Thorne of Garrett. He preceded her in death in 1972. She is survived by three grandchildren and two brothers, Lester Creakbaum, Mishawaka, and Ed Creakbaum, Savatapol, Ind.

She was born in Sevatapol on April 23, 1896 to the late Dan and Lucinda Creakbaum. She married Murray Thorne in August 1915. He preceded her in death in 1965.

Mrs. Thorne was a housewife.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Ronald Bowman, pastor of Garrett United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

No Obituary on Tues., February 7, 1978

John Petre, Jr.

BUTLER — John Petre, Jr., died at the age of four and a half months Monday at 11 p.m. The death was apparently due to "crib death."

Butler police said they received a call at 11:17 p.m. Monday. The boy's mother, Mrs. Kimberly S. Petre, 20, said she had gone for a drive with the infant and her two older children. When she returned to their 304 Park Lane home, she took the older children into the house. On returning to the car, Mrs. Petre found the baby not breathing.

DeKalb County Coroner William Hathaway ruled the death was due to natural causes.

The boy was born in Hicksville, Ohio, Sept. 18, 1977.

Surviving are the parents, John M. Petre, Sr., and Kimberly Petre, a half-brother, David Heckathorn, and a half-sister, Amy Heckathorn, and grandparents Frederick and Mary Petre, Waterloo, Mrs. Shirley Coleman, Alamogordo, N.M., and Norman Morris, Franklin, Ind.

A great-grandmother, Mrs. Anna Cross, Lafayette, also survives.

Services will be held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home Thursday at 2 p.m. with Rev. Wayne Michael of the Butler Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Francis Leland

GARRETT — Francis I. Leland, 49, 120 S. Peters St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was a victim of cancer. She had been ill since 1974 and hospitalized since Jan. 11.

Mrs. Peters was a 12-year resident of Garrett. She was born May 27, 1930 in Butler to William and Mary Anthony. Both parents survive at Pleasant Lake.

She married Lowell D. Leland, who survives, on June 18, 1949 in Angola. She was a housewife.

Other survivors include a son, Ronald D., and a daughter, Mrs. Michael (Dianna) Richardson, both at home; a sister, Mrs. Willis (Ruth) Hecht, Garrett; and two grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. John Hetherington, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

Robert J. Atz

Robert J. Atz, 56, founder and president of Trendline Furniture Inc., died Monday at 4:45 p.m. from an apparent heart attack while shoveling snow on the sidewalk in front of his home at 230 S. Park Ave.

Born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nov. 30, 1921, he was the son of Carl J. and Dora (Springer) Atz. He married Betty R. Lare Aug. 24, 1954 in Rogers City, Mich. She survives.

He was a veteran of World War II.

Suvivors besides the wife, are the mother, Mrs. Dora Atz, East North Street; two daughters, Sue Atz, Pasadena, Calif.; and Mrs. Jerry (Linda) Young, Kendallville; one son, James C. Atz, Fort Wayne; one brother, Richard C. Atz, Ligonier; and one grandchild.

Funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-HutchinsFuneral Home with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church or the Heart Fund.

Waldo Cochran

KENDALLVILLE — Waldo Cochran, 73, 551 S. Lincoln St., died at McCray Memorial Hospital Wednesday at 10:05 p.m. Mr. Cochran was hospitalized a week ago and had been ill for two years.

Mr. Cochran was born in Angola Feb. 2, 1905, son of Charles and Katherine (Morr) Cochran. He was a retired grinder and a member of the Faith United Methodist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Sharon Blue, 551 S. Lincoln St., Kendallville, Mrs. Clarence Anderson, Sandy Hook, Conn., and Mrs. Nancy Gerig, Auburn. Also surviving is one brother, Wes Cochran of Auburn.

Three brothers and four sisters preceded Mr. Cochran in death. He had 12 grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home Saturday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be at the Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Lowel Powell

STUART, Fla. — Lowel Powell, 66, a former Auburn resident, died of a heart attack Tuesday at the Memorial Hospital in Stuart, Fla.

Mr. Powell was a retired employee of the Hagen Furnace Company in Auburn.

Surviving are his wife, Christine, a daughter, Toni Powell, Miami, two sons, Jeffrey, Pittsburg, Pa., and Kim, Raleigh, N.C., and a sister, Mrs. Helen Eggert, Indianapolis.

Services will be held in Stuart.

The Evening Star, Fri., February 10, 1978

Esta Stimman

Services for Esta Leotaa Stimman, 91, who died Wednesday at Betz Nursing Home, were conducted today at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Stimman was born in Jackson Township on Oct. 14, 1886, and was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

Mrs. Stimman was a member of the Jackson Township Home Bureau and the Rehoboth Community Circle. She was a housewife and her late husband, Earl, died in 1944.

A son and a daughter also preceded Mrs. Stimman in death.

She is survived by two brothers, Harold Farver, Niles, Mich., and Ray Farver, Angola, and one sister, Alta Linton, Auburn.

Also surviving are four grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, six step-great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The Evening Star, Sat., February 11, 1978

Florence Shutt

ANGOLA — Funeral services were held Jan. 16 for Florence E. Shutt, 65, Angola. She was the mother of Walter Shutt of Auburn.

Mrs. Shutt died Jan. 13 in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola. She was buried in Swan Creek Cemetery at Monclova, Ohio. She was born in Monclova on Feb. 8, 1912 to Frank and Mary (Masters) Johnson.

Pastor Paul Weeg of Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, officiated at her services.

Surviving in addition to her son are three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and two brothers, Lee Johnson of Oregon, Ohio and Lee Johnson.

The Evening Star, Mon., February 13, 1978

Cordell Chapman

Cordell Chapman, 74, 372 W. Fifteen St., Auburn, was found dead in his home Saturday afternoon. He was retired from his former job as custodian at Harrison School, and was a 40-year resident of Auburn.

Mr. Chapman was the son of the late Arthur and Savilla (Collins) Chapman. He had no immediate relatives surviving.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Tues., February 14, 1978

William Franze

William J. "Bill" Franze, 57, Pembroke Pines, Fla., died Sunday in the Biscane Medical Center, Miami, Fla.

Born April 29, 1920 in Kendallville, he was the son of William G. and Edith Anna (Diamond) Franze. He attended school in Ashley and Kendallville.

Mr. Franze moved to Richmond in 1959 from Kendallville. He was owner of Franze Hearing Aid Service, in Richmond, from 1959 until 1975. He was also building inspector for the city of Richmond for six years. He moved to Florida, November, 1977.

Survivors are his wife, Marianna; one son, William J. Franze II, Two Rivers, Wisc.; five daughters, Kim Suzanne Kelly, Edon, Ohio; Lee (Goodwin) Forst, Pembroke, Fla.; Ann Amick, Anderson; Lynn Beights and Lianne Trier, both of Kendallville; five sisters, Mrs. Marie Hossler, and Mrs. Edith Nartker, both of Kendallville; Jeanette Cox, Fort Wayne; Faye Creager, Butler; and Ruth Daub, Tucson, Ariz.; four brothers, Richard Franze, Lawrenceburg; Frank Franze, Fort Wayne; Dev Franze, Geneva; and Everett Franze, Angola; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral will be Thursday at 9 a.m. in the Doan-Mills Funeral Home, Richmond, where friends may call after 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Graveside committal services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville, with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier officiating.

Grinsteiner Funeral Home, Indianapolis, is in charge of arrangements.

Ivers Treesh

Ivers A. Treesh, 69, 1702 Sprott St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 1:45 p.m. while driving his car one block from his home.

Mr. Treesh was a former roundhouse employee of the B&O Railroad. He retired in 1958 with 27 years of service.

He was born in Garrett on March 27, 1908 to the late Clarence and Myrtle Treesh. He lived most of his life in Garrett before moving to Auburn five years ago.

He married Dora Belle Stewart in Auburn on May 7, 1970. She survives.

Also surviving are four children, Roger L. and Keith, both of Auburn, and Thomas E. and Mrs. Eugene (Barbara) Vollmer, both of Edgerton, Ohio; three brothers, Orvil, Eldon and Lawrence, all of Waterloo; and four sisters, Mrs. Harry (Ethel) Fike, Mrs. Ray (Tracy) Fike, Mrs. Lester (Metha) DeWitt and Mrs. Letha Glick, all of Corunna.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. William Loucks will officiate. Burial will be in Sixteen Cemetery south of Corunna.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

Col. Hugh Carnahan

Col. Hugh L. Carnahan, 86, a longtime Auburn resident, died Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home near Avilla. He had been ill for two years.

Col. Carnahan was retired from the U.S. Army. He served from 1914-46. His tour of duty included both World War I and II. He served on the Mexican border in WWI. In WWII he was chief of guerilla affairs in Manila, Philippines, and was commander of a prisoner-of-war camp at Camp Hood, Texas from 1943-45.

In Auburn, he lived at the Carnahan Apartments (which he owned) on Pearse Avenue.

He was born in Butler Township, DeKalb County on Feb. 16, 1891 to the late William John and Ophelia Mae (Hollopeter) Carnahan. One brother, Paul M., preceded him in death in 1974. Surviving are two nieces, Mrs. Carol Rice of Indianapolis and Mrs. Marjorie Wade of Memphis, Tenn.

His funeral will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Donovan Linn

HAMILTON — Donovan D. Linn, 70, Route 2, Hamilton, died Monday at 5 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola. He had been a patient there for two weeks.

Mr. Linn was retired. He was born Feb. 25, 1907 in Edon, Ohio to the late David and Pearl (Merriman) Linn. He married Lois Fuller in Butler on April 28, 1945. She preceded him in death on Feb. 28, 1974.

He is survived by three children, Jean Dunn, Route 1, Waterloo; Dennis Linn, Butler; and Michael Linn, Aberdeen, Md.; a brother, Donald Linn, Hicksville, Ohio; three sisters, Opal Johnson, Angola; Hazel Humbarger, Hamilton; and Maxine Sampson, Monrovia, Cal.; and nine grandchildren.

His funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Herschel McCord, pastor of the Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thurs., February 16, 1978

Lesla Leins Sr.

WATERLOO — Lesla L. Leins Sr., 71, died Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for one year. He was a lifelong resit of Fairfield Township, and lived at Route 2, Waterloo.

Mr. Leins was born March 12, 1906, in Fairfield Township to David and Rose (Rowe) Leins, and married Esther Freed, surviving, in Auburn on Feb. 8, 1927.

He is survived by two daughters; Mrs. Iris Haskins, Waterloo, and Mrs. Doris Merrick, Raytown, Mo.; three sons; Eldon, Waterloo, and Lesla Jr. and Herb, both of Auburn; one brother, Ezra Leins, Fort Wayne; one sister, Orda Beery, Coral, Mich.; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Three sisters and three brothers preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Pleasant Chapel Church in rural Ashley.

His funeral will be at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Revs. Max Smith and Thomas Deal will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Helen Teal

KENDALLVILLE — Mrs. Helen Teal, 88, died Wednesday in Fort Wayne's Lutheran Hospital. She was a retired American Red Cross nurse and executive secretary.

She was born on Oct. 2, 1889 in Kendallville, and is survived by nieces and nephews.

Her body is at Garrett's McKee Funeral Home. Burial is in Kendallville's Lakeview Cemetery, with graveside services at 3 p.m. Friday.

No Obituary on Fri., February 17, 1978

The Evening Star, Sat., February 18, 1978

Norma Frank

Norma M. Frank, 66, Nicholas Street, Auburn, died at her home Friday at 5 a.m. Mrs. Frank was the wife of Russell Frank, who survives, and was a housewife.

She had ben ill for two years.

A lifelong area resident, Mrs. Frank was born in rural Auburn on June 29, 1911, daughter of Norman and Lula (Olinger) Roland. She married Mr. Frank in LaGrange on July 25, 1922.

Mrs. Frank was a member of the First Christian Church of Auburn.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. William (Jeanne) Geiser, Auburn, Mrs. Kay Baxter, Auburn, and Mrs. John (Sue) Snyder, Auburn. One daughter preceded Mrs. Frank in death.

Also surviving is one brother, Ralph Roland, Ashley, and two sisters, Mrs. Letha Deardorf, Hicksville, and Mrs. Madonna Johnson, Auburn.

Mrs. Frank had six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home Monday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Clarence Bangs will officiate. Burial will be at the Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Sunday.

The family would like memorials to be sent to the Gideon Bible Society or the Granny Holderman Haiti Mission.

Wayne Hughes

Wayne Hughes, 76, Route 1, Hudson, died at 9:55 a.m. Friday in his home.

Born in Salem Township on Aug. 3, 1901, he was the son of A. Porter Hughes and Clara Haskins. He married Ellen Sprankle April 3, 1926 in the Auburn Christian Church. She survives.

Mr. Hughes has been a lifelong resident of Salem Township. During his career he served Steuben, LaGrange and DeKalb counties as a state representative for eight years. He also taught high school and was a high school principal for 15 years and was also a farmer.

He was a 35-year member of the Masons and Eastern Star in Hudson and a White Shriner in Kendallville.

He was preceded in death by a son, Don, and a daughter, Margaret Jean Stallman.

Survivors besides the wife include two sons, John, Route 1, Hudson, and Dan, Route 2, Huntington; a brother, Dale Hughes Sr., Route 1, Hudson, and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home in Ashley with Rev. Paul S. Hopwood officiating.

A masonic service will be at 8 p.m. Sunday.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Saturday and after 1 p.m. Sunday.

Gertrude Garns

Gertrude May Garns, 95, 818 Midway Dr., Auburn, died at 5:15 this morning at the Souder Health Center following a week-long illness.

Born Oct. 16, 1882 in Williams County, Ohio, she was the daughter of Martin L. and Lydia Custar. Her husband, Jessie B. Garns, preceded her in death.

She and her husband founded Garns & Co. on South Union Street in Auburn. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Auburn.

Survivors include a son, Arnold Garns, 420 N. Division St., Auburn; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Services are pending at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home.

Services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Tuesday. Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Monday.

Dale Smith

Dale B. Smith, 45, 1045 Donald St., Auburn, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound Saturday. He died at Parkview Memorial Hospital at 11:55 p.m.

Mr. Smith was employed by the B&O railroad and was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

Born in DeKalb County on Jan. 31, 1933, Mr. Smith was the son of Ray and Goldie Smith of Auburn. He married Lois Frances Smith in Toledo, Ohio, in 1972.

He was a member of the Indian Village Church of God, a past commander of the Garrett Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), a member of the Elks, the American Legion, the Garrett Eagles and the Auburn Moose.

Surviving are Mr. Smith's wife and mother, four sons, Michael and Mickey Steury, and Mike and Scott Smith, all of Auburn, and two daughters, Mrs. Joan Gaff, Auburn, and Mrs. Deborah Linger, Garrett.

Also surviving are five brothers, Don, Warren, Blake, Edgar, all of Auburn, and John D., of Riverdale, Ill.

Sisters Mrs. Kathryn Decker, Mrs. Shelby Zollman, both of Auburn, Mrs. Mary Ellen McInturf, Phoenix, Ariz., and Mrs. Lela Blackwelder, Anderson, also survive.

Mr. Smith had five grandchildren.

Services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Carroll McNutt will officiate and burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery.

There will be military graveside rites.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

Robert Ulm

BUTLER — Robert Buren Ulm, 65, 146 W. Cherry St., Butler, died Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Ulm was a retired owner of a tool and die shop in Butler. He was born in St. Joe on July 20, 1912 to the late Robert and Nellie (Scholes) Ulm.

He married Alyce Ullett on Feb. 13, 1934 in Wellsburg, W. Va. His wife survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Carol Beth Snyder, Akron, Ohio; JoAnn Young, Denver, and Vicki Frank, Archbold, Ohio; five brothers, Clare, Venice, Fla.; Reign, Shererville, Ind.; Keith, Butler; Dwight, Clearwater, Fla.; and Grant L., Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Floyd Smith, Indianapolis; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Butler Church of Christ. Rev. Wayne Michael will officiate.

No calling by friends is scheduled. Memorials to the Heart Fund are preferred. Johnson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Theodore Voirol

WAWAKA — Theodore H. Voirol, 65, died Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital after a one-month illness. He lived at Route 1, Wawaka the past two years, after 20 previous years in St. Joe.

He was born Nov. 16, 1912 in Allen County to Jules and Julia (Groneaux) Voirol. He married Josephine Fry, surviving, on March 19, 1936.

He is survived by four sons; Richard L., Monroeville; Laverne R., Spencerville; William A., Fort Wayne and Mike D., Rome City; by two sisters; Mrs. Velma Jean Driscoll, Wawaka, and Mrs. Carolyn McNamara, St. Joe; by four brothers; Arthur, Monroeville; Kenneth, Spencerville, and Chester and Leonard, Fort Wayne; by three sisters; Mrs. Garnet Girardot, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Helen Ort, Woodburn, and Mrs. Eileen LaMont, Monroeville; and by 24 grandchildren.

He was a member of St. Gasper's Catholic Church in Rome City.

His funeral will be at Auburn's Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. Wednesday. Father Burns and Msgr. Leo Hoffmann will officiate. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

A rosary service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, where friends may call after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Virgil Baker

Virgil C. Baker, 86, Box 9, Auburn, died Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 2, 1891, he was the son of Charles and Emma (Chard) Baker. His wife, Artie Fay, preceded him in death Feb. 27, 1948. Mr. Baker was a retired laborer.

Survivors are six daughters, Mrs. Ken (June) Robinett, Auburn; Sue Rae, and Mrs. Wally (Mary Ellen) Bradtmiller, both of Fort Wayne; Mrs. Carl (Betty) Akers, Hamilton; Mrs. Lyle (Ruth) Sutton, Angola; and Mrs. Charles (Mildred) Bressler, Fremont; five sons, Van Baker, Albion; Dean Baker, and Max Baker, both of Hamilton; Keith Baker and Larry Baker, both of Waterloo; one brother, Ori L. Baker, Bluffton; 41 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Swift Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Otto Tennant

Word has been received here of the death of Otto E. Tennant, who died Sunday in South Boardman, Mich. He was a retired cabinet maker.

Mr. Tennant was the oldest a family of 13. He is survived by two sisters and seven brothers, including Archie Tennant of Auburn.

The Evening Star, Weds., February 22, 1978

Ruth Hohman

CORUNNA — Ruth F. Hohman, 70, a lifelong Corunna resident, died Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola. Death was due to cancer. She had been ill three years and a patient at the nursing home for 10 days.

Mrs. Hohman was a 16-year employee of Albright's Grocery in Corunna. She was born in Corunna on March 12, 1907 to the late Milo and Rosa Friend. She was the wife of the late Elden E. Hohman, who preceded her in death in 1970.

Her survivors include two children, Allen of Butler and Mrs. DeWayne (Norma) Schlosser, Auburn; a brother, Carl Friend, Corunna; a sister, Mrs. Ethel Hills, Portage, Mich.; and five grandchildren.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church at Corunna.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Amos McGinnis, pastor of Hamilton United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thurs., February 23, 1978

Shirley Riegel

GARRETT — Shirley A. Riegel, 46, 606 Hill St., Garrett, died at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne Wednesday. Mrs. Riegel was hospitalized Tuesday and had multiple sclerosis for 16 years.

Mrs. Riegel was born in Garrett on July 21, 1931. Her parents, George and Bessie Baker, preceded her in death.

Mrs. Riegel was a housewife and a member of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church. She married Clifford Riegel in Elizabeth City, N.J., on April 10, 1959. Mr. Riegel survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Sue) Blotkamp and Miss Carol A. Hall, both of Garrett, a half brother, Howard Patterson, Los Altos, Calif., and a half sister, Mrs. Sidney Waldman, Chatsworth, Calif.

Mrs. Riegel had one grandchild.

Services will be held a the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. Allen T. Reed. Burial will be at the Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are for the prevention of multiple sclerosis.

The Evening Star, Fri., February 24, 1978

Grover Tritch

Grover Carl Tritch, 84, died Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. at his residence in Hudson.

Born March 3, 1893 in Salem Township, Steuben County, he was the son of Adam and Mary (Shade) Tritch. On June 17, 1916 he married Blanche Zema Wood who preceded him in death Nov. 30, 1974.

Mr. Tritch was a retired farmer and had resided in the Hudson area his entire lifetime.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Neil (Audry) Doster, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Orvil (Marjorie) Kuckuck, Route 1, Indianola, Iowa; and Mrs. Berdena Williams, Pleasant Lake; three sons, Orlo Tritch, Route 2, Angola; William L. Tritch, Route 1, Ashley; and Keith C. Tritch, Mineral Ridge, Ohio; 16 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Robert W. Staup of the Hudson United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Memorials may be made to National Cancer Research Society.

Ruth Anderson

Mrs. Ruth Anderson, 77, 246 Center St., Auburn, died at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne this morning at 2:45. She was a retired housewife and former secretary for DeKalb Circuit Court Judge Harold D. Stump.

Mrs. Anderson was born in Sherwood, Ohio, April 10, 1902, daughter of Jacob G. and Lavine (Rock) Musser. Her husband was the late Lawrence Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson was a member of the Indian Village Church of God, the Center Street Flower Club, Elks Ladies, and a past president of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving are three sons, Beryl Columbo of Fort Wayne, George Anderson of Auburn, and Robert Widdicomb, also of Fort Wayne. Two sisters and five brothers preceded Mrs. Anderson in death.

Services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home Monday at 1:30 p.m. with the Rev. Carroll McNutt. Burial will be at the Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Sunday.

Martha Koons

Martha A. Koons, 88, 327 W. Twentieth St., Auburn, died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Friday at 2:45 p.m. Mrs. Koons was a retired housewife and wife of the late George W. Koons who died Aug. 20, 1977.

Mrs. Koons was born in Auburn on Sept. 21, 1889, daughter of John and Rosalee (Boulick) Lumm. She married Mr. Koons on Oct. 25, 1913.

Mrs. Koons is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Archie (Ann) Sebert, Auburn, and one grandchild. Three sisters and two brothers preceded Mrs. Koons in death.

She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn.

Services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home Tuesday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. George Schutte. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Monday.

Lucile Hedglin

HUDSON — Mrs. Lucile Hedglin, 89, of Hudson, died at the LaGrange County Hospital Friday at 2:15 p.m. She had been a patient there since Saturday and was a patient at the Miller Nursing Home in LaGrange for three years.

Mrs. Hedglin was born on April 17, 1889, and married Henry Arthur Hedglin in Orland on April 17, 1906. Mr. Hedglin preceded her in death.

Mrs. Orland was an area resident during most of her life.

Surviving are five sons, Raymond, of Lawrence, Mass.; Winn, of Linwood, Mich.; Frank, of Havenhill, Mass.; Max, of Jefferson City, Mo.; and Wayne, of LaGrange.

Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Roland, (Orpha) Foster, DeLamb, Fla.; Mrs. Laflin (Dorris) Collinge, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Angus (Roberta) McDonald, Sun City, Ariz.; and Mrs. Oliver (Lorraine) Stutzman, Nappanee.

Mrs. Hedglin had 26 grandchildren and 50 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Kistler Funeral Home in Hudson Monday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Arthur Givens of the Hudson United Methodist Church will officiate.

Burial will be at the Jackson Prairie Cemetery in Orland and friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Ruth Creasy

Ruth E. Creasy, 76, Auburn, died Saturday at 4:35 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home. She was retired from her post as a schoolteacher for the U.S. government in Panama. She lived the past 19 years at 1323 S. Jackson St. in Auburn.

Mrs. Creasy was born Aug. 10, 1901 in the vicinity of Lafayette, Ind. Her parents were the late William and Oraetta (Dugann) Creasy.

She is survived by a brother, John A. Creasy, Altoona, Pa., and a cousin, Dorothy Orr, Tallahassee, Fla.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials to the donor's choice are preferred.

Brandon R. Lash

BLUFFTON — Brandon R. Lash, 89, died at 10:45 a.m. Saturday at Bluffton's Clinic Hospital. He lived in rural Craigville. He worked at Auburn Foundry for 16 years.

His parents were Charles and Anna (Kiefer) Lash. He married Pearl Landis, deceased, on Dec. 14, 1908.

He is survived by two sons; Charles, Brooks, Ind.; Don, Marshall, Ind; three daughters; Mrs. Robert (Isabelle) Chronister, Mrs. Richard (Barbara) Braun, Monroe, Ind.; Miss Jean Lash, Fort Wayne; ten grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

His funeral will be at Pleasant Dale Church in rural Adams County at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The Rev. Dwight Argett will officiate. Burial will be in Church Cemetery.

The body of Mr. Lash is at Bluffton's Thoma Rich Funeral Home, where friends may call no later than 11 a.m. Tuesday.

Lewis Ford

Lewis Willis Ford, 89, Route 2, Butler, died Sunday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 29, 1888 in Paulding, Ohio, he was the son of Willis and Kathryn (Kinsey) Ford. He married Anna Fifer who preceded him in death in 1944.

Mr. Ford was a lifetime resident of the Butler area and was a retired farmer.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Betty) Krontz, Butler; Mrs. John (Ella) McClellan, and Mrs. Aileen Clark, both of Auburn; two sons, Willis Ford, Springfield, Ore; and Weir Ford, Fremont; two sisters, Mrs. Mabelle Renner, Lima, Ohio; and Mrs. Gerte (Fay) Walsh, Springfield, Ore.; 17 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Swift Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Burial will be in the Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Minnie King

Minnie M. King, 91, 836 S. Indiana Ave., Auburn, died Monday night at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was a 45-year resident of her Auburn home.

Mrs. King was born northwest of Waterloo on Oct. 7, 1886, to the late Henry and Bertha (Durst) Durst. She married William King in 1908, and he preceded her in death on Nov. 27, 1974. She was a retired housewife.

Survivors include a son, John King, Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. Orval Casselman, rural Waterloo, and Mrs. Voyle Myers, Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Moore, Waterloo; Mrs. Bertha Shultz, rural Auburn; and Mrs. Lester Buss, Angola; six grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. George Elder, pastor of Cedar Lake Church of Christ where she was a member. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Clyde Monroe

WATERLOO — Clyde H. Monroe, 80, Route 2, Waterloo, died at 1:25 a.m. Monday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a two-year illness.

Mr. Monroe was born in Latty, Ohio, on Dec. 20, 1897, son of Munson and Martha Monroe. He married the former Dottie Palmer in Angola on Nov. 29, 1922. Mrs. Monroe survives.

Also surviving are one brother, Justice, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Long, both of East Lansing, Mich.

Services will be held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home with the Rev. Max Smith, Thursday at 2 p.m. Burial will be at the Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., March 2, 1978

Jerry Kelly

Word has been received in Auburn of the death late Tuesday afternoon of Jerry F. Kelly, Fresno, Cal. Mr. Kelly, who was 53 years old, was stricken by an apparent heart attack and died immediately.

He was a long time resident of Auburn and graduated from Auburn High School with the class of 1942. He is survived by his wife Patricia, Fresno; five children; three grandchildren; a brother, Donald E. Kelly; a sister, Lois Imus; and uncles Glenn and Mahlon Rieke, all of Auburn.

Services will be Saturday in Fresno.

Harry McCullough

CORONADO, Cal. — Harry McCullough, 85, a former Corunna resident, died Friday afternoon in his new home of Coronado, California.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Dora Holmes, Elkhart (formerly of Corunna); one half-sister, Mrs. Earl Dunafin, Elkhart; and one half-brother, Clark Luttman, Fort Wayne.

One sister and two half-brothers preceded him in death.

No Obituary on Weds., March 1, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., March 3, 1978

Bessie Barley

Bessie V. Barley, 85, 208 E. Sixth St., died Thursday at 9:05 p.m. at the Souder Health Care Center. She had been in failing health for one year.

Mrs. Barley was born Nov. 29, 1892, in LaGrange County, the daughter of William and Sara Matilda Jane (Schimp) Marks.

She resided in DeKalb County most of her life.

She was married March 4, 1914, in Auburn, to Edgar H. Barley, who died in January of 1968.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Eldon (Lucile) Hardy, 327 W. Eleventh St., and Mrs. Walter (Helen) Shutt, 325 W. Eleventh St.; one sister, Mrs. Harry (Myrtle) Wright, 610 N. Main St.; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Parley and Edward Marks, and a sister, Mrs. Joseph (Ida) Rogers, preceeded Mrs. Barley in death.

Mrs. Barley was a member of Auburn's First United Methodist Church and the Union Township Home Demonsration Club.

Funeral services will be at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, the Rev. John Dicken, of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cmetery.

Times for the funeral service and calling at the funeral home are pending.

The Evening Star, Sat., March 4, 1978

Bessie Barley

Services for Mrs. Bessie V. Barley will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

No Obituary on Mon., March 6, 1978

John Spears

ANGOLA — John P. Spears, 79, Route 3, Angola, died Saturday at 10 a.m. in Cameron Hospital. His funeral was held at 1:30 p.m. today in Chalfant-Perry-Klaehn Funeral Home in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Spears was vice-president of the Spears-Dehner Construction Co. of Fort Wayne, and had been active in the company for 32 years.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Jean (Wilson), formerly of Auburn, and four children, Mrs. John (Vicki) Wright, Dayton, Ohio; John P. Spears, Jr. and Michael T. Spears, both of Angola; and Miss Patricia K. Spears, Fort Wayne; one brother, Donald G. Spears, Fort Wayne; and his mother, Mrs. Berneice Spears, Fort Wayne.

Theodore Reichard

Theodore W. Reichard, 75, 506 W. State St., Ashley, died today at 2:35 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, where he had been a patient five days.

Born June 29, 1902 in Kendallville, he was the son of Theodore A. and Augusta Louise (Kreuger) Reichard. He married Irene Cook May 16, 1936 in Toledo, Ohio. She survives.

Mr. Reichard had been a lifetime resident of the Kendallville, Ashley and Hudson communities. He was a retired employee of Dana Corp., Auburn. He was a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, South Milford.

The only survivor besides the wife is one cousin, Mrs. Gerald (Augusta) Haun, Battle Creek, Mich.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Clarice Marie Reichard.

Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Donald Algar officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Bessie McCombs

Bessie McCombs, 77, died Monday at 8:05 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola. She had been in failing health the past two years.

Born in Steuben County, May 18, 1900, she was the daughter of George and Mercie (Van Pelt) Kunce. She married Charles B. McCombs Dec. 22, 1927 in Bryan, Ohio. He preceded her in death in 1955.

Mrs. McCombs was a lifetime Hudson area resident and a homemaker. She was a member of the United Brethren Church, Hudson, and a charter member of the Ashley Grange.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Douglas (Jennie Ellen) Hayward, Stroh; two sisters, Mrs. Cary (Velma) Bickel, Angola; and Mrs. Bertha Warstler, Hudson; and one brother, Claire Kunce, Angola.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the United Brethren Church, Hudson, with Rev. Leslie Strong of the Stroh Church of Christ, and Rev. Robert Staup, of the United Brethren Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The body will be moved to the church at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, where friends may call until time for services.

The Evening Star, Weds., March 8, 1978

Arthur Herzog

GRABILL — Arthur S. Herzog, 43, Route 1, Grabill, died Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since Feb. 24.

Mr. Herzog was a welder for Vulcraft in St. Joe. He moved to the Grabill area 13 years ago, coming from Florida. He was born in North Judson, Indiana on Nov. 2, 1934.

He married Sylvia Detert on Nov. 21, 1953 in Gary. She survives. Also surviving is his mother, Mrs. Amelia Herzog, Logansport; a son, James David, at home; a daughter, Mrs. Randy (Debra Lynn) Harding, St. Joe; a sister, Mrs. Donna Fross, Logansport; and two grandchildren.

His funeral will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Leo, where he was a charter member. Rev. Donald Wunrow, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Concordia Lutheran Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at Bale Funeral Home in Auburn from 7-9 tonight and from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday. The body will lie in state at the church from 9 a.m. Friday until the time of the funeral.

Memorials to Peace Lutheran Church are preferred.

John Sawchuk

John Sawchuk, 58, 747 W. Ninth St., Auburn, died at 6:45 this morning in his home. He had been ill for three weeks.

Mr. Sawchuk was a former custodian for McKenney School and a World War II veteran. He was a 26-year resident of Auburn. He was born in Albion, Mich. on Aug. 11, 1919 to the late John Sr. and Johanna Sawchuk.

He married Mary Shull in 1945. She survives. Also surviving are two sons, Ronald Lee Sawchuk of Auburn and John Phillip Sawchuk of Goshen; a sister, Mrs. Frederick (Naida) Kuhn, Albion, Mich.; and two grandchildren. One brother preceded him in death.

He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church and the Auburn Moose Lodge.

His funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Thursday. There will be a Moose service Thursday evening. A military service is also planned.

Loren Noragon

Loren W. Noragon, 81, Route 1, Hamilton, died Monday evening in the Carlin Park Nursing Home.

Born April 11, 1896 in DeKalb County, he was the son of Arthur Birt and Cynthia (Hagerty) Noragon. He was a retired farmer and laborer.

The only survivors are nieces and nephews.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Swift Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Art Grove of the Hamilton Church of Christ, officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today.

Mr. Spears was 49

The Evening Star was incorrectly informed of the age of John P. Spears, Route 3, Angola, whose death notice was carried in Tuesday's edition. Mr. Spears was 49 years of age. We were originally informed that he was 79, and regret the error.

No Obituary on Thurs., March 9, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., March 10, 1978

Clyde Dinwiddie

Clyde J. Dinwiddie, 77, 704 Peterson Drive, died Thursday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. Services will be held at the Bale Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Saturday. Rev. Carl E. Greek of the Nazarene Church will officiate.

Mr. Dinwiddie, who moved to Auburn two years ago from Detroit, had been a patient at the hospital since Feb. 27.

Mr. Dinwiddie was born in New Market, Tenn., Feb. 16, 1901. He worked for Chrysler Corp. for 41 years before retiring in 1969. He was a member of the UAW-CIO.

He married Juanita Bobo Feb. 1, 1935. They had two children — Daniel Dinwiddie, Detroit and Mrs. Betty Kuta, Fairfield Center. One child, Rebecca Jane Dinwiddie, is deceased.

Two brothers and three sisters are living. The brothers are Robert Dinwiddie, Puetena Calif. and Brown Dinwiddie, Long Beach, Calif.

The sisters are Mrs. Nelson Morris, Harper Woods, Mich., Mrs. Rachel Sharkey, Gaylord, Mich. and Mrs. Francis Pryor, Royal Oak, Mich.

Mr. Dinwiddie had three grandchildren.

Burial will be in the Fairfield Center Cemetery. Calling at the Bale Funeral Home is after 6 p.m. today.

Marjorie J. Higgins

GARRETT — Marjorie J. Higgins, 47, died Thursday at 1 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital from a 10-year illness. The lifelong Garrett resident lived at 408 S. Peters St.

She was born Feb. 18, 1931 in Cleveland to George L. and Lois (Webb) Zoll, both surviving. Mr. Zoll resides in Florida and Mrs. Webb in Fort Wayne. Mrs Higgins married Normand G. Higgins, who survives, on Feb. 4, 1951 in Garrett.

She is also survived by one son; James, Waterloo; four daughters; Mrs. Sam (Geannette) Cleland, Kendallville; Mrs. Lawrence (Marica) Yarian, Garrett; Sharon and Aneta Higgins, Garrett; one sister; Mrs. Georgia Griswold, Fort Wayne, and five grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. The Rev. Anthony Smith of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Garrett will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Zion Church Building Fund or to Muscular Distrophy.

Friends may call from 1-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Keith Jackman

DeKalb County native Keith Jackman, 53, Muncie, died late Tuesday afternoon in Muncie of an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Jackman was born in DeKalb County, the son of Ward and Lula (Goodwin) Jackman.

He was a graduate of Auburn High School and Purdue University and was an accountant.

Mr. Jackman is survived by his wife Frances; two daughters, Cynthia Laramore, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Steve (Sandra) Thomas, Auburn; two sons, John, stationed in Okinawa with the U.S. Marine Corps, and Kip, stationed in Memphis with the U.S. Navy; two step-daughters, Mrs. Linda Brown, New Jersey, and Mrs. Connie Rauscher, Arkansas; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 4 p.m. at the Meeks Funeral Home in Muncie, the Rev. James Helton officiating. Cremation will follow.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 4-7 p.m. and at the funeral home on Saturday prior to the service.

Ilif Crane

Graveside services for Ilif Crane, a former resident of the city, will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Crane died Monday in Lajolla, Calif.

She moved from Auburn in 1960. Two cousins still reside in the area. They are Mrs. Ruth Tibbals, Auburn, and Wayne Thomas, Fremont.

Her husband Ray Crane and one child are deceased.

Calling will be at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home after 10:30 a.m. Monday.

No Obituaries on Sat., March 11, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., March 13, 1978

Dorothy Waterhouse

HAMILTON — Dorothy H. Waterhouse, 71, died Friday morning in the Broward General Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Born Nov. 25, 1906 in Seymour, she was the daughter of Grover and Lois (Shutts) Myers. She married Dale Waterhouse May 11, 1929, in Angola. He survives.

Mrs. Waterhouse had been a resident of the Hamilton community for the past 53 years. She and her husband were former owners of Circle Park Campground and Recreation Area. She was a member of the Hamilton Lioness Club and Bridgettes.

Survivors besides the husband are two sisters, Mrs. Betty Wofford, Mount Valley, Calif., and Mrs. Mary Lou Walters, St. Louis, Mo.; three brothers, Bill Cox, Hamilton; Arthur Myers, Huntertown; and John Myers Sarasota, Fla.

Funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Swift Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Amos McGinnis officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Eunice Gay

STURGIS — Eunice J. Gay, 62, formerly of Auburn, died Sunday in Sturgis, Mich.

Mrs. Gay was born in Auburn Nov. 6, 1915. She did Christian work in Clay County, Kentucky for about 10 years and worked at the Newport Company in Sturgis the last several years.

She was a graduate of Spencerville High School and of the Fort Wayne Bible College. She was married to Earl F. Gay on Sept. 9, 1962. He survives.

Other survivors include her father, Menno Gerig, 1535 Dallas St., Auburn, five brothers and two sisters.

The brothers are Paul and Maurice Gerig, both of Fort Wayne; Dr. Zenas Gerig, Kingston, Jamaica; Ardon Gerig, 321 N. Dewey, Auburn; and Dale Gerig, Allentown, Pa. One brother preceded her in death.

The sisters are Mrs. Lois Hetsmansperger, Sturgis and Adah Imler, Dunnigan, Calif.

Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Foglesong Funeral Home, Sturgis. Burial will be in the Oaklawn Cemetery there. The Rev. Carl B. Ervin will officiate, assisted by the Rev. William Harrington. Preferred memorials should be made to the missionary work of the Sturgis Missionary Church.

Gladys Farner

BUTLER — Glayds E. Farner, 74, died at the Butler Hotel Rest Home Saturday at 12:33 p.m. She had lived at the rest home since 1974 and was a lifelong resident of Butler.

Miss Farner was born in Wilmington Township on Dec. 28, 1903, daughter of Jacob and Roena (Treman) Farner.

Miss Farner was a member of the Community Bible Church.

Surviving is one sister, Mrs. Alta Hose, Route 1, Butler.

Services will be conducted at the Johnson Funeral Home with the Rev. Thayne Bodenmiller Tuesday at 11 a.m. Burial will be at the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

William Hudson

William J. Hudson, 59, a lifelong resident of Spencerville, died Sunday in Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Hudson was a foreman a Rieke Corporation and a veteran of World War II. He was a candidate for the DeKalb Eastern school board in the upcoming election.

He married Charlotte Tucker, Dec. 27, 1947 in North Manchester. She survives.

Mr. Hudson is also survived by two sons, Michael of Arlington Heights, Ill. and William Mark, at home; and four daughters, Patricia Houser, Columbia City; Peggy Kennedy, Indianapolis; Kathleen Baker, Kendallville; and Anita, at home. Three grandchildren survive.

One brother, Harold Hudson of Spencerville survives along with one sister, Garnet Furnish, also of Spencerville. A brother, Hubert, preceded him in death.

Mr. Hudson was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Scottish Rite, the American Legion Post at Leo, the Concord Lodge F&AM and the Spencerville United Methodist Church.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Spencerville United Methodist Church. The Rev. Terry Rhine will officiate. Burial will be in the White City Cemetery, Spencerville.

Friends may call at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Masonic Services will be Tuesday at 9 p.m. Preferred memorials are to the United Methodist Church

The Evening Star, Tues., March 14, 1978

Charles Beebe

BUTLER — Charles Elmer Beebe, 65, 207 E. Liberty St., Butler, died Monday at 12:45 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Beebe was retired from his job as a cutter at the former Marshall Clothing Co. of Butler. He was a lifetime resident of the Butler area. He was born in Steuben County on Aug. 29, 1912 to the late George and Edith (Aldrich) Beebe.

He married Lela Provines on Nov. 11, 1933 in Butler. His wife survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Sharon Schoeneman and Candy Beebe, both of Fort Wayne, and three grandchildren. One brother preceded him in death.

Mr. Beebe was a member of Butler United Methodist Church, the Eagles lodge, the Auburn Moose lodge and Forest Lodge F&AM.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Herschel McCord, pastor of Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. tonight and after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Grover D. Sapp

GARRETT — Grover D. Sapp, 87, 612 N. Franklin, died Monday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since Feb. 22.

Mr. Sapp, a lifelong resident of Garrett, was a World War I veteran and a retired B & O employee. He worked with the railroad until 1956.

Survivors include one sister, Miss Esther A. Sapp, Sacred Heart Home, Avilla and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Sapp was born in Garrett April 2, 1890. He was not married. He was a member of the Garrett American Legion and the St. Joseph Church.

Services will be held at the St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery.

A rosary service will be held tonight at 7:30 at McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Military graveside services will be performed by the Garrett American Legion. Calling is from 1 to 8 p.m. today at McKee.

No Obituary on Weds. & Thur., March 15, 16, 1978

Beatrice Miller

VALPARAISO — Beatrice Miller, 83, died Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in Porter Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 17, 1894 in DeKalb County, she was the daughter of Amos and Ona (Schuman) Frederick. She married Carl Miller who peceded her in death.

Mrs. Miller was a former resident of rural Ashley and had lived in Valparaiso the past three years.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Lois Barns, Crescent City, Fla., and Mrs. Wilda LaBorteaux, Lampoc, Calif.; two sons, Robert Miller, Gary, and William Miller, Libertyville, Ill.; one brother, Trevor Frederick, Ashley; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in Circle Cemetery, Hudson, with Rev. Arthur Givens of the Hudson United Methodist Church officiating.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, Saturday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Orda O. Zonker

WATERLOO — Mrs. Orda O Zonker, 87, Route 2, Waterloo, died at 4:45 a.m. today at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Zonker had been in failing health for about three months.

Born in Fairfield Township on Oct. 20, 1890, Mrs. Zonker was the daughter of the late Oron and Olive (Jrahn) Bair. She was married in Auburn on June 11, 1924, to Forrest Zonker, who died in January 1974.

Mrs. Zonker is survived by several nieces.

Services will be held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home Saturday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. David Overmeyer. Burial will be at the Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 7 and 9 p.m. today.

Velma Weaver

SARASOTA, Fla. — Velma Weaver, 76, died here March 7 at the Sarasota Memorial Hospital. She was a former resident of Hamilton.

Mrs. Weaver married Robert Weaver in Auburn in September 1939. He preceded her in death. Survivers include a brother Sanford, DeWitt, Ark., a sister Mrs. G.W. Fish, Benton, Ark. and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Josephine Hood, Auburn.

A memorial service was held for Mrs. Weaver Mar. 12 at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Sarasota, Fla., where she was a member.

The Evening Star, Sat., March 18, 1978

Isabel Freidenberger

BUTLER — Mrs. Isabel Freidenberger, 71, of 249 W. Main St., Butler, died Friday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient for five days.

Mrs. Freidenberger was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Jan. 14, 1907, daughter of George and Emma King. She had been a resident of Butler for 40 years.

On July 3, 1928, she married Howard Freidenberger at Pleasant Lake.

Mrs. Freidenberger was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary.

Mrs. Freidenberger is survived by her husband; a son, Richard, of Butler; a brother, Ray King of Auburn; and a sister, Minnie Rosenberry, Florida.

She had one grandchild.

Services will be held at the Johnson Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Monday. Burial will be at the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Mon., March 20, 1978

Vern Myers

Vern Myers, 90, 239 S. Division St., Auburn, was dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 7:11 p.m. Saturday. He had been in failing health for two years.

Mr. Myers was a lifetime resident of DeKalb County. He was born in Hudson on Feb. 24, 1888 to the late John and Mary (Freed) Myers.

He operated a farm north of Corunna for many years and operated a dairy in Garrett for a few years. He was a DeKalb County Commissioner for three terms. He moved to Auburn 14 years ago.

He married Edna Leins in Topeka on Sept. 5, 1925. She survives. Also surviving are three sons, Dallas of Auburn; Wilbur, Pomona Beach, Fla.; and Ross, Stockton, Cal.; two daughters, Mrs. David (Rose) Hudson, Route 1, Auburn; and Mrs. Robert (Wavah) DeMairas, Council, Idaho; two brothers, Lloyd of Auburn and Homer of Kendallville; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. Dennis Jackson of Sixteen Zion Lutheran Church and Rev. James Larnard of Missionary Church. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Memorials to DeKalb County Cancer Society are preferred.

Harold Ernest

Harold Ernest, 75, 620 Ensley Ave., Auburn, died Saturday at 9:53 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital from a six year illness. He lived in Auburn most of his life.

He was born in Garrett to Marion and Rose (Winegrad) Ernest, on June 10, 1902. He retired Warner Gear employee. His wife, the former Esther Latier, survives.

He is also survived by two brothers; Wilbur, Rural Auburn, and Clifton, Wolcottville.

His funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, TUES, March 21, 1978

Samuel B. Geisinger

GARRETT — Samuel B. Geisinger, 93, died Monday from a three- day illness at the home of his son, Hubert, at 519 S. Collins St., Garrett. He lived in Auburn most of his life.

He was born May 31, 1884, to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Geisinger. He married Hazel McClellan, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by three daughters; Mrs. Everett (Georgeena) Boudy, Garrett; Mrs. Richard (Mildred) Woods, Rural St. Joe; Mrs. Edward (Elnora) Brown, Auburn; one son; Hubert G., Garrett, 17 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., March 22, 1978

Helen Reick

Helen L. Reick, 63, 217 S. Orchard St., Kendallville, died suddenly Monday evening at her residence.

Born April 13, 1914 in Woodburn, she was the daughter of William Ray and Edna Mae (Gustin) Coffelt. She married Urban F. Drerup who preceded her in death in 1964. She married Howard C. Reick, Aug. 9, 1969. He survives.

Mrs. Reick was a lifetime resident of the Kendallville area and a retired employee of Kraft Foods. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, its Rosary Sodality and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors besides the husband are the mother, Mrs. Edna Lambert, Kendallville; three daughters, Nancy Huffman, Kendallville; Jean Ann Bishop, and Rosemary Jones, both of Auburn; one son, William Drerup, Avilla; one stepson, James Reick, Kendallville; two stepdaughters, Nancy Allen, Montpelier, Ohio; Judy Long, Lodi, Calif.; two sisters, Mildred Kline, Kendallville; and Betty Jordan, Rome City; three brothers, Delphos Coffelt, Fort Wayne; and Robert Coffelt and Herman Coffelt, both of Kendallville; 11 grandchildren and four stepgrandchildren.

Funeral will be held at the Immaculate Conception Church, Kendallville, Thursday at 10 a.m. with Msgr. William Faber officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

An 8 p.m. vigil service and rosary will be recited at the funeral home.

Hazel Richardson

Hazel Marie Richardson, 83, died Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. in the Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola, where she was a patient.

Born in Huntington, Dec. 25, 1894, she was the daughter of Fred and Eva McClurg. She married Riley Benjamin Richardson, who preceded her in death in 1970.

Mrs. Richardson was a homemaker and a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne.

Survivors are one son, Ernest C. Richardson, rural Pleasant Lake; several brothers and sisters; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, with Rev. Wayne W. Davis of the Helmer-Flint United Methodist Churches officiating.

Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Jeanmarie Coffee

EVANSTON, Ill. — Mrs. Jeanmarie Hackman Coffee of Deerfield, Ill., died in a hospital at Evanston on Monday. She was a sister of Mrs. Kathleen Kokenge of Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Coffee was a native of Fort Wayne and was the first woman meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Washington, D.C., from 1942-45.

Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

No Obituary on Thurs., March 23, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., March 22, 1978

Betty McNabb

Betty June McNabb, 53, 1209 S. Van Buren St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 8:35 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for three years, and hospitalized for eight days.

Miss McNabb was a bookkeeper for Hoham & Co. She was a lifelong resident of Auburn, where she was born to Earl W. and Mary (Horn) McNabb, both of whom survive.

Also surviving are a brother, Virgil McNabb, South Indiana Ave., Auburn; and two sisters, Mrs. Howard (Ellen) Bates, 416 W. Twentieth St., and Mrs. Claude (Jean) Brandon, 119 Zona Drive, both of Auburn.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Rev. George Schuette will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Memorials to the church building fund or to the DeKalb Cancer Society are preferred.

Kathryn Woodcox

Kathryn J. Woodcox, 32, 108 S. Wilson St., Auburn, died Tuesday at about 5 p.m. She had been ill for two years.

Mrs. Woodcox was a housewife and teacher. She was a lifelong resident of Auburn, where she was born Nov. 22, 1945 to Vincent and Margaret (Johnson) Miller. Both parents survive at 4300 N. Essex, Muncie, Ind.

She is also survived by her husband, Phillip, whom she married in 1966, and two children, Anne Marie and Brad A., both at home.

Other survivors are two brothers, Richard Miller of Auburn and William Vincent Miller of Muncie; and two sisters, Mrs. Dennis (Mary Ann) Ketzenberger and Mrs. Judith Kay Hurni, both of Auburn.

Her funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn. Pastor John Dicken will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. Thursday at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Memorials to DeKalb County Preschool for the Handicapped or the DeKalb Cancer Society are preferred.

No Obituaries on Thurs., March 23, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., March 24, 1978

Wilfred Schiffli

WATERLOO — Wilfred M. Schiffli, 65, died Thursday at 8:12 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill the past 15 months.

Born in Southfield Township, Aug. 9, 1912, he was the son of Andrew and Kathryn (Schoudel) Schiffli. He married Lenora Warnecke May 9, 1936 in Glandorf, Ohio. She survives.

A lifetime resident of Route 1, Waterloo, Mr. Schiffli was self-employed as a well driller and farmer. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, and its Holy Name Society.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Don (Martha) Conrad, Route 1, Waterloo; Mrs. Robert (Joan) Langhols, Ottowa, Ohio; and Barbara Schiffli, Route 1, Waterloo; four sons, Charles Schiffli, Route 2, Decatur; Robert Schiffli, Route 1, Waterloo; and Larry Schiffli and Herman Schiffli, both of Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Arnold (Agnes) Lueke, Ottowa; two brothers, Edward Schiffli, rural Angola; and Julius Schiffli, Route 1, Waterloo; and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral mass will be Monday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, rural Waterloo, with Rev. Mathew Lange of the church officiating.

Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, after 2 p.m. Saturday and after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Peferred memorials may be made to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Samantha Keen

WATERLOO — Samantha Keen, 21-month-old daughter of Barbara (Shirley) Keen and Thomas Reis, died Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

Samantha was born on July 12, 1976, and lived with her mother at Route 2, Waterloo.

She is survived by her parents, a brother and sister, Lester and Kimberly, both at home, and grandparents Robert and Theatis Reis, St. Mary's, Ohio, and Delmer and Marjorie Shirley, Waterloo.

A prayer service will be held at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home Saturday at 3:30 p.m. The Rev. Wayne Smith will lead the service. Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Sat., March 25, 1978

Gladys Penland

GOSHEN. — Gladys I. Penland, 83, 314 South Third St., Goshen, died Friday in her home at 4:47 p.m. She had been ill for one year.

Born July 14, 1894, in Garrett, she moved to Goshen in 1941 with her husband, Jay, who preceeded her in death on March 4, 1954.

Survivors include five sons, Jay A., Kendallville; Basil E., San Deigo, Calf.; Olan G., Alen K. and Ned R. all of Goshen; four daughters, Mrs. NaDonna Erickson, Ill.; Mrs. Aurthur DeRoyal Bailey, Auburn; Mrs. Norma Reynolds and Miss Deliala Penland both of Goshen. Also surviving are 30 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Assembly of God Church in Goshen with Rev. Paul McGechie officiating.

Friends may call Saturday from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Burial will be in the Violett Cemetery, Goshen.

The Evening Star, Mon., March 27, 1978

Elga F. Ginder

FORT WAYNE — Elga F. Ginder, 78, a former DeKalb County resident, died Saturday in Lutheran Hospital, where he had been a patient for two weeks. He made his home at 474 Charlotte St. in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Ginder was a retired draftsman for General Electric Co. He made his home in Fort Wayne for the past 48 years. He was born in Wilmington Township (near Butler) on Feb. 24, 1900 to the late Hiram and Livanna Ginder.

He married Zelma Showalter on April 9, 1921 in Monroe, Mich. His wife survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Janet Tumbleson, Fort Wayne, and a son, James Ginder, Avilla; a sister, Gertrude Reinhart, St. Joe; eight grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

He was a member of the Leo Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Herschel McCord, pastor of Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Masonic services will be held at 7 p.m.

No Obituary on Tues., Weds., March 28 & 29, 1978

The Evening Star, Thurs., March 30, 1978

Bernard McClahan

HUDSON — Bernard J. McClahan, 74, Route 1, Lake of the Woods, Hudson, died at 9:20 a.m., Tuesday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Born April 17, 1903, in Lagro, he was the son of George Patrick and Elizabeth Jane (Doughtery) McClahan. He married Lois Gross on Nov. 19, 1930, in Ft. Wayne. She survives.

Mr. McClahan was a retired farmer and was a member of the St. Marys Catholic Church, Huntington. He was a World War II veteran and served two years in the European Theater. He was a member of the VFW Post 2749 in Kendallville.

Survivors besides his wife are three brothers, Thomas M. McClahan, Thermoplis, Wyo.; Hubert R. McClahan, Decatur; and James R. McClahan, Lake of the Woods.

Funeral will be Friday at 10 a.m. at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Valentine M. Jankowski officiating.

Burial will be in the Prairie Grove Cemetery, Allen County.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Fri., March 31, 1978

William Eckert

William Louis Eckert, 59, Route 1, Hudson, died midnight Thursday in his home.

Born Dec. 8, 1918, in DeKalb County, he was a lifetime resident of the Ashley and Hudson area. Mr. Eckert was the son of Granville J. and Beth (Bonbrick) Eckert, both surviving.

Survivors besides the parents are one sister, Mrs. Walden (Mary) Louise Clingan, and three brothers, Wayne Eckert, Helmer, Eugene Eckert and Owen Eckert, both of Route 2, Waterloo.

Funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. William Loucks officiating.

Burial will be in the Fairfield Cemetery in DeKalb County.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Saturday. The family requests that all memorials be given to a favorite charity.

James Egan, Jr.

James Egan, Jr., 69, died Thursday at 11:05 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital from a 12-year illness. The Auburn resident lived at 212 E. Eighteenth St.

He was born Jan. 4, 1909 in Chicago, and married Dawn Hess, surviving, on May 31, 1946. Also surviving are one son; James Egan, Killeen, Texas; one daughter; Mrs. Sue Strup, Route 4, Auburn; one sister; Mrs. Kathryn Preston of Virginia, and four grandchildren. His parents were the late James and Kathryn (Miles) Egan, Sr.

A prayer service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, followed by graveside services at Woodlawn Cemetery. The Rev. Ken Spencer of Norris Chapel will officiate.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., April 1, 1978

Clyde Rohm

Clyde E. Rohm, 73, 1032 Steve St., Auburn, died Friday at 4:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Rohm was a retired roofing and siding contractor. He was born Nov. 27, 1904 to the late Daniel and Lillian (McClure) Rohm.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie; two daughters, Betty Howe and Mrs. Deanna Provines, both of Auburn; a son, Eston Rohm, Route 3, Auburn; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Three brothers preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Officiating will be Rev. Carl Greek, pastor of the Auburn Nazarene Church, where Mr. Rohm was a member. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today.

Frank Strock

Frank T. Strock, 96, Hudson, died at 6:10 this morning in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born in Wayne County, Ohio, near Wooster, Mr. Strock had been a resident of Hudson since 1906.

On March 20, 1906, he married Ada Grieve Ketchum, who survives.

Other survivors are two sons, Paul Wayne Strock, Hudson, and Carl Strock, Angola; two daughters, Mrs. Andrew (Fannie) Wilson, Seal Beach, Calif., and Mrs. Florence Larkins, Silver Spring, Md.; one grandchild and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Strock was a former owner of the Hudson Elevator Co., a member of the Hudson United Methodist Church, a charter member of the Hiawatha Lodge 528 F&AM, the Angola Rotary Club, and other organizations.

Funeral services will be held at the Kistler Funeral Home in Hudson at 2 p.m. on Monday with Rev. Arthur Givens from the Hudson United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be at the Circle Cemetery in Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Sunday.

Carl Russell

GARRETT — Carl H. Russell, 75, 1711 Woodview Drive, Garrett, died Friday at 11:30 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Russell was formerly manager of Modern-air Company in Waterloo. He retired in 1967. He was born July 24, 1902 in Paulding, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife Lavon "Bonnie"; a son, Gerald, Hobart, Ind.; a sister, Mrs. Nora Ludwig, Bryan, Ohio; a brother, Emery, Cleveland; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a member of Waterloo First United Methodist Church and its Christian Crusaders Sunday School class, and a 16-year member of the Waterloo Lions Club.

His funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Waterloo First United Methodist Church. Rev. Max Smith will officiate. Burial will be in Fountain Cemetery at Fostoria, Ohio.

Friends may call at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

Olivia Elworthy

Olivia E. Elworthy, 209 E. Morgan St., Ashley, died Friday at 3:35 a.m. in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a one-week illness. She was 82 years old.

Born to William and Carrie (Gramling) Zurbrugg in Steuben County, August 28, 1895, she married W. George Elworthy, who preceded her in death.

Two daughters, Mrs. Thelma Taylor of Barrington, R.I. and Mrs. Phyllis Bush of Merrimack, N.H., survive. Mrs. Elworthy is also survived by 13 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home in Ashley. Burial will follow at the Pleasant Lake Cemetery with Rev. Robert Staup of the United Brethren Church, Hudson, officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 5 p.m.

The Evening Star, Mon. April 3, 1978

Frank Summers

GARRETT — Frank H. Summers, 65, 314 S. Cowen St., Garrett, died Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Mountain time in LaJara, Col. at the home of Louis Shaffer.

Mr. Summers was a 38-year resident of Garrett. He was a machine operator for Zollner Piston in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Noble County on April 13, 1912 to the late Henry and Catherine Summers. He married Virginia Royer in Garrett on June 26, 1940. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a son, Michael L., Route 2, Avilla; a daughter, Mrs. Harold (Patricia) Bender, Route 4, Albion; a brother, Maynard Summers, Kendallville; two sisters, Mrs. Louis (Agnes) Sobasky, Kendallville and Mrs. Willard (Lucile) Comadoll, Ceresco, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the DeKalb Police Reserve and the former DeKalb County Posse horse patrol, the St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society.

His funeral will be in St. Joseph Catholic Church at 9 a.m. Wednesday. Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. A rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Walter Smith

LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Walter G. Smith, 87, a former Route 1, Garrett resident, died Saturday at 2:05 a.m. in St. Elizabeth Hospital at Lafayette. He was a resident of the Indiana Veterans Home in Lafayette, moving there from Garrett five years ago.

Mr. Smith was a farmer and a World War I veteran. He was born in Spencerville on March 23, 1891 to the late Florence and Edith Smith. He had no immediate relatives surviving.

His funeral was held at 1:30 p.m. today in McKee Funeral Home at Garrett. Burial was in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

No Obituary on Tues., Weds., April 4&5, 1978

Maude Kesler

Maude Kesler, 95, Route 1, Cree Lake, Kendallville, died at 5:30 a.m. today at her residence following two years of failing health.

Born Oct. 8, 1882, in DeKalb County, she was the daughter of John and Maggie (Tritch) Hanes. Her Husband, Grover Kesler, preceded her in death on Jan. 20, 1961.

Mrs. Kesler was a 50-year member of the Eastern Star.

Surviving is one son, Robert Kesler, Route 1, Cree Lake. Three sisters and one brother preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Hite Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth Gerike officiating.

Burial will be in Orange Cemetery, Brimfield.

Friends may call at the funeral home on Friday between 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Dr. F.J. Longden

Dr. Frederick Jack Longden, 66, died Wednesday at 5:40 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital from a one-week illness. The retired optometrist, a 29-year Auburn resident, lived at 404 N. Main St. His practice was at 207 N. Jackson St.

He was born on Aug. 16, 1911 in Bluffton, to Fred J. and Helena (Grimes) Longden, Sr. He married Doris Pettyjohn, who survives, in 1936. A sister, Mrs. Harriett Cooper, Florida, also survives.

A World War II veteran, Longden graduated from Culver Military Academy, Indiana University and the Northern Illinois School of Optometry. He was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, Moose Lodge, Elks Lodge, American Legion and Beta Theta Pi society.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Auburn's Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Peter Pascoe will officiate. Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to either the Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund or to DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

There will be no calling at the funeral home.

Joseph M. Demske

Joseph M. Demske, 88, died at 4:40 a.m. today in the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Born Nov. 19, 1889, in Avilla, he was the son of Martin and Balbima (Christ) Demske.

Mr. Demske, a retired farmer, had resided in the Sacred Heart Home since 1951.

Survivors include two sisters, Miss Valeria Demske, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Elizabeth Paluszak, New Castle, Pa., one brother, John Demske, Garrett, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral will be in St. Marys Catholic Church, Avilla, on Saturday at 10 a.m. with Father Andrew Mathieu officiating. Burial will be in the St. Marys Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Brazzell Funeral Home on Friday from 2 to 9 p.m. The rosary will be recited Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 7, 1978

Juanita Dinwiddie

Juanita Dinwiddie, 69, died Thursday at 8:15 p.m. in her home at 704 Peterson Drive, Auburn. She had been ill for nine months.

She was the wife of the late Clyde J. Dinwiddie, who preceded her in death on Mar. 9. The couple moved to Auburn from Detroit two years ago. They were married in Detroit on Feb. 1, 1935. She was a housewife.

Mrs. Dinwiddie was born in Stewart, Tenn. on May 26, 1908 to the late William and Beulah Bobo. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Stewart.

Her survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Edward (Betty) Kuta, of Fairfield Center in DeKalb County; a son, Daniel, Detroit; a brother, Joseph L. Bobo, Auburn; and three grandchildren. One daughter, Rebecca June, preceded her in death in 1940.

Her funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Greek will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

Lucille M. Bartl

GARRETT — Lucille M. Bartl, 56, Route 1, Garrett, died Thursday at 7 a.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital. She suffered from cancer for two years.

Mrs. Bartl was born March 2, 1922, in Fremont, Ohio, daughter of Robert and Margaret (Strasser) Baumer. She married George J. Bartl in Reed, Ohio, on Dec. 13, 1941. He preceded her in death Nov. 11, 1976.

Mrs. Bartl was a housewife and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Surviving are a son, Robert, Fort Wayne, and six daughters, Mrs. John (Lucy) Ford, Fort Wayne, Mrs. George (Karen) Oser, North Webster, Mrs. Herbert (Donna) Sheetz, Garrett, Mrs. Franklin (Ruth) Bartlett, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Douglas (Mary) Carter, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. Brian (Joan) Winn, Fort Wayne.

Also surviving are two brothers, Tony and Leo Baumer, both of Fremont, Ohio. Mrs. Bartl had 12 grandchildren.

Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Father Donald Isenbarger will officiate the service. Burial will be at Covington Memorial Gardens in Fort Wayne.

A Rosary Service will be held at the McKee Funeral Home tonight at 7:30 p.m. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the Garrett Community Hospital.

No Obituary on Sat., April 8, 1978

Mary M. Seifert

GARRETT — Mary M. Seifert, 88, died Saturday in her home at 515 S. Guilford St., Garrett.

She was the wife of the late William A. Seifert, who preceded her in death on Jan. 17, 1962. They were married in Garrett on April 27, 1909.

She was born March 10, 1890 in Ney, Ohio. She was a housewife. There are no immediate relatives surviving.

Mr. Seifert was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Rosary Society.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. A rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. tonight in the funeral home.

George Sturgis

BUTLER — George K. Sturgis, 91, 337 W. Oak St., Butler, died Saturday at 10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since Feb. 27.

Mr. Sturgis was retired after 37 years as a partner in Miller-Sturgis Department Store of Butler. He also collaborated in writing religious music and hymns with his wife, the former Mabel Miller. They were married June 29, 1909 in Butler. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a son, Bernard, of Wilmington, Del., a sister Mrs. Rosemary Porter, Plainwell, Mich., two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was born April 16, 1886 in Wayland, Mich. to the late Bernard and Lucinda (Barney) Sturgis. He was a member of Butler United Methodist Church.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Herschel McCord, pastor of Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Elsie M. Adams

Elsie M. Adams, 82, 901 N. Main St., Auburn, died unexpectedly Saturday morning at her home.

Mrs. Adams was born in Ashley January 3, 1896, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.O. Simon. She was the widow of Amos Adams, president of the Auburn Federal Savings and Loan Association for many years, who died in 1968.

Surviving Mrs. Adams are one daughter, Mrs. John (Mary Jane) Randinelli, Warren, Pa.; a grandson, Jack Randinelli, Auburn; and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Adams was a member of the Bible Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, the Rev. Wayne Smith officiating. Burial will be in the Riverside Cemetery, Montpelier, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

The family requests memorials be given to the Bible Baptist Church, the American Heart Association, or the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum.

The Evening Star, Mon., April 10,1978

Ida E. Peeters

FRANKLIN, Ind. — Ida E. Peeters, 87, died Sunday at 3 p.m. at The Masonic Home in Franklin, Ind. She had been ill for eight years.

She was born in DeKalb County on May 26, 1891, to Franklin M. and Amanda T. (Ober) Peeters. A retired nurse, Mrs. Peeters lived at The Masonic Home the past 14 years.

She is survived by one brother, Washington P. Peeters, and five sisters; Mrs. Mary Shumaker, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Ruth B. Peeters, Kalamazoo; Mrs. Franklin (Ester) Woodruff, Kalamazoo; Mrs. Ethalinda B. Stroh, Kokomo, Ind., and Mrs. Anna S. Ballard, Dayton, Ohio.

Her funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

John W. Hess

John W. Hess, 97, a former Auburn resident, died Sunday afternoon at the Indiana Masonic Home at Franklin, Ind.

Mr. Hess was born to George and Elizabeth (Fochs) Hess in Fertigo, Pa. on May 21, 1880. He married Roxa Vincent on June 21, 1906. Mrs. Hess preceded him in death in Oct. 1977.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Dawn Egan, 212 E. Eighteenth St., Auburn; one granddaughter, Mrs. Sue Strup, Route 4, Auburn; and one great-granddaughter, Mrs. Jerry (Cathie) Crowl, South Indiana Avenue, Auburn.

Mr. Hess was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn; F&AM (Masonic) Lodge No. 214, Auburn; Apollo Commandry, Garrett.

Graveside services will be held in Van Buren, Ind., on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Friends may call at Flinn & McGuire Funeral Home in Franklin, Ind. after 9 a.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin.

The Evening Star, Tues., April 11, 1978

Ida Teeters

Ida E. Teeters, 87, died Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Masonic Home in Franklin, Ind. She was incorrectly identified in Monday's Evening Star.

Mrs. Teeters had been ill for eight years.

She was born in DeKalb County on May 26, 1891, to Franklin M. and Amanda T. (Ober) Teeters. A retired nurse, she lived at The Masonic Home the past 14 years.

She is survived by one brother, Washington P. Teeters, and five sisters; Mrs. Mary Shumaker, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Ruth B. Teeters, Kalamazoo; Mrs. Franklin (Ester) Woodruff, Kalamazoo; Mrs. Ethalinda B. Stroh, Kokomo, Ind., and Mrs. Anna S. Ballard, Dayton, Ohio.

Her funeral will be at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., April 12, 1978

Margaret Scherf

ASHLEY — Margaret H. Scherf, 52, 212 W. Morgan St., Ashley, died at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday from a sudden heart attack. She had been ill one month.

Born June 9, 1925 in Pleasant Lake, she was the daughter of George and Rosella (Gage) Grogg. She married Harold A. Scherf April 18, 1964. He survives.

Mrs. Scherf had been a resident of the Ashley area most of her life. She was a member of the Salem Lutheran Memorial Church, Detroit, Mich.; and was active in the St. John's United Church of Christ, Hudson.

Survivors besides the husband are her mother, Mrs. Cecil (Rosella Grogg) Stomm; four sisters, Mrs. Louann Miller, Taylor, Mich.; Mrs. Donald (Geraldine) Miller, Big Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Van (Helen) Ransburg, Hudson; and Mrs. Robert (Beverly) Farver, Route 1, Ashley.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Bill Burleson, Kendallville, pastor of St. John's United Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 7-9 p.m. and Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made to St. John's United Church of Christ, Hudson.

Harold Grate

WYANDOTTE, Mich. — Harold W. Grate, 77, a former Auburn resident, died last Thursday, April 6.

Mr. Grate was a retired employee of Chrysler Corporation, and a resident of Wyandotte.

He is survived by his wife, Louella, two daughters, Mrs. Marion DiMaggio and Mrs. Tom Freezy of Allen Park, Mich.; a sister, Viola Castro, Detroit; and a brother, Lloyd Grate, Auburn.

A son and daughter preceded him in death.

Charles C. Webb

SPENCERVILLE — Charles C. Webb, 94, a former Spencerville resident, died Monday in Lakeland (Fla.) General Hospital. He was a resident of Zephyr Hills, Fla.

Mr. Webb was born in the Spencerville area on July 12, 1883 and lived in the area for many years. He was a former clerk at a lumber company in Montgomery, Mich. and a former musician.

His wife, Grace, preceded him in death in 1973. There are no immediate relatives surviving.

Brief services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Baldinger & Walter Funeral Home at Spencerville. Rev. Terry Rhine will officiate. Burial will be in White City Cemetery at Spencerville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 12 noon on Friday.

Celia Renkenberger

GARRETT — Celia W. Renkenberger, 97, died at the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla at 5:50 a.m. Wednesday. She had lived at the home since July 2, 1974, and formerly lived in Garrett.

Mrs. Renkenberger was a housewife and also lectured on home economics and wildlife. She was a member of the Methodist Church, Mackinac, Mich.

Mrs. Renkenberger was born in DeKalb County on August 9, 1880, daughter of Oliver and Ida (Preston) Weller. She married Melvin D. Renkenberger on June 15, 1899, and he died on May 13, 1966.

A son, Harold, also preceded Mrs. Renkenberger in death.

She is survived by two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Daniel Storey of the Calvary United Methodist Church in Avilla will officiate. Burial will be at the Swan Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 14, 1978

Nelline Clapham

Nelline D. Clapham, 69, 111 E. 16th St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 11:45 p.m. at her home.

Mrs. Clapham was born May 5, 1908, in Bluffton, the daughter of G. Forrest and Alice (Huffman) Faylor. She had resided in Auburn since 1917.

On Sept. 4, 1936, she was married in Auburn to Daniel M. Clapham, who survives. Mrs. Clapham was a former bookkeeper.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sisters, Mrs. Alice Sapp, Ashley, and Mrs. Josephine Provines, Auburn. A son, John Clapham, and a brother, Grover Faylor, preceeded Mrs. Clapham in death.

She was a member of the First Christian Church, the Auburn Culture Club, and the Order of the Easter Star, chapter 103.

Funeral services will be Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church, the Rev. Clarence Bangs officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home after 6 p.m. tonight.

No Obituary on Sat., April 15, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., April 17, 1978

Ellen I. Owens

GARRETT — Ellen I. Owens, 87, 214 S. Harrison St., Garrett, died Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill two weeks and hospitalized for eight days.

Mrs. Owens lived most of her life in Garrett. She was born in Bradford, Pa. on Jan. 1, 1891 to the late Ralph W. and Teresa (Christ) Springer. She was the wife of the late F.W. Owens.

Her survivors include four daughters and one son: Kathryn Manon and Peg Sockrider, both of Auburn; Jayne Kobiela and Jack Owens, both of Garrett; and Patricia Noel, Fort Wayne. Also surviving are a sister, Mary Holsinger of Garrett, 17 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren. One daughter, Maxine Feagler, preceded her in death.

She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church in Garrett and Harmony Chapter, Order of Eastern Star.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the United Presbyterian Church. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the family residence (214 S. Harrison St.) this afternoon and evening. The body will be taken to the church at 12 noon on Tuesday. Memorials to the United Presbyterian Church are preferred.

Max K. Smathers

HUDSON — Max K. Smathers, 57, a lifelong Hudson resident, died Saturday morning at his residence.

Born in Hudson, April 29, 1920, he was the son of Rush V. and Blemm O. (Cray) Smathers. He married Dorothy Crain Sept. 30, 1945. She survives.

Mr. Smathers was a farmer.

Survivors besides the wife are the mother, Mrs. Blemm Smathers, 111 Joe Wheeler St., Angola; three sons, Phillip M. Smathers, Route 2, Quincey, Mich.; Dale W. Smathers, and Lynn R. Smathers, both of Rural 1, Hudson; one sister, Mrs. Neil (Roberta) Dunkelberger, Chicago, Ill.; one brother, John Kedric, Denver, Colo.; and four grandchildren.

Funeral will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Arthur Givens of the Hudson United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Steuben County Emergency Medical Service or Steuben County Cancer Fund.

No Obituary on Tues., April 18, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., April 19, 1978

Vincent Clemens

Vincent D. Clemens, 79, 914 E. Seventh St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 10:55 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for three years and hospitalized since last Thursday.

Mr. Clemens retired in 1962 as chief dispatcher for the B&O Railroad. He worked eight years with the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department.

He was born in Garrett on May 20, 1898 to the late Samuel and Rachel (Huff) Clemens. He lived in Auburn for the past 35 years.

He married Zilpha Stevenson on Mar. 17, 1943 in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. His wife survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Patrick Dunn of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Floyd McQuown, Willard, Ohio, and two grandchildren.

He was a member of the Auburn Masonic Lodge and Worldwide Church of God in Fort Wayne.

His funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Frank McCrady, his pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

No Obituary on Thurs., April 20, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., April 21, 1978

Leah Potts

HUDSON — Leah V. Potts, 82, died suddenly today at 7 a.m. at her residence.

Born July 17, 1895 in Jackson, Mich., she was the daughter of Carlton and Cora (McCrum) Swift. She married Valton E. Potts Nov. 25, 1915 in Eden, Mich. He survives.

Mrs. Potts was a Hudson resident the past 18 years. She was a member of the Ashley-Hudson Nazarene Church.

Survivors besides the husband are one daughter, Mrs. John Paul (Jean) Blackburn, Route 1, Hudson; one son, Robert E. Potts, Fredericksburg, Va.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Byars, Northport, Ala.; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Edward Wilsburg of the Ashley-Hudson Nazarene Church, assisted by Rev. Ray Cain, officiating.

Burial will be in Bowling Green, Va.

Friends may call at the funeral home afer 2 p.m. Sunday.

Preferred memorials may be made to th Epileptic Foundation for research.

No Obituary on Sat., April 22, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., April 24, 1978

Lenor S. Hess

AVILLA — Lenor S. Hess, 80, Route 2, Huntertown, died at 6:50 a.m. Saturday in the Kendallville Lutheran Home, following a two-month illness.

Born May 4, 1897, she was the daughter of Mert and Mary (Barnhart) Mead. She married George Hess Feb. 16, 1917. He preceeded her in death on Sept. 20, 1976.

She had resided in the Huntertown area since 1936 and had been in the Lutheran Home for one year. She was a member of the Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church on Coldwater Road, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Lois Diehm, Kendallville; Mrs. Ruth Heffelsinger, Garrett; Geneive Carson, Fla.; Elieen Stein, Fort Wayne; six sons, Richard and Donald S. Hess, both of Fort Wayne; Howard, Merlyn and George Hess, all of Huntertown; and Merton Hess, Kendallville; one sister, Agatha Bowman, Ariz.; 46 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the Beautiful Savior Church at 2 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Sigglekow officiating. The deceased will lie in state one hour before the service.

Burial will be in the Lutheran Cemetery, Avilla.

Friends may call at the Brazzell Funeral Home in Avilla today from 2 to 9 p.m.

The family requests memorials be given to the Beautiful Savior Church.

No Obituary on Tues., April 25, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., April 26, 1978

Guy Zerkle

BUTLER — Guy H. Zerkle, 85, 146 Walnut St., died today at 2:30 a.m. at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born in Waterloo on Feb. 10, 1893, son of Charles H. and Mary Ann (Grogg), Mr. Zerkle was a lifelong resident of Butler and Waterloo.

Mr. Zerkle was a retired maintenance worker for the Universal Tool Co., and he also spent 28 years working for the New York Central railroad. He was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church and the Waterloo City F. & AM Lodge.

He married Mildred Zell, who survives, on June 22, 1921, in Auburn.

Four sons, Robert, Fort Wayne, Gerald, Butler, Howard of Willard, Ohio and Keith, Auburn and three daughters, Mrs. Jean Gonzales, Butler, Mrs. Marjorie Black, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Maxine Myer of Edgerton, Ohio, survive.

Three brothers, Ford, Charles J. and Ora Zerkle, all of Waterloo, 21 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren, also survive.

Services will be given at the Johnson Funeral Home Friday at 2 p.m. and burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Thursday. Masonic services will be given at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Carl J. Nelson

Carl J. Nelson, 61, died Tuesday at 7:45 a.m. at the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he had been a resident for eight months.

Mr. Nelson was born Feb. 5, 1917, in Beloit, Wisc., son of John Carl and Ella (Bleakley) Nelson. An automotive engineer and senior design engineer, Mr. Nelson lived at 2365 Beverly Blvd., Berkley, Mich., before coming to Auburn.

Member of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Mr. Nelson was a World War II veteran, having served in the battle of Normandy. He earned his masters degree in engineering at Wayne State University, Mich.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Frank (Sigrid) Duncan, 605, N. Main St., Auburn and Miss Elizabeth Nelson, Berkley, Mich., and one brother, John Nelson of Royal Oak, Mich.

Calling and services will be held at the Sawyer-Fuller Funeral Home, Berkley, Mich. Burial will be at the White Chapel Cemetery, Troy, Mich.

Local arrangements were made by the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Paul W. Griffin

Paul W. Griffin, 64, 1306 S. Jackson St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton. He had been ill for three months and hospitalized for 12 days.

Mr. Griffin was a retired B&O Railroad employee and a World War II veteran. He had lived in his Auburn home the past 13 years. He was born in Ohio to the late Mr. and Mrs. William Griffin, who lived in Willard, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Collins, and five children: Paul Jr. in Florida,

Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Bible Baptist Church, where he was a member. Rev. Wayne Smith, his pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Thursday.

No Obituary on Thurs., April 27, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., April 28, 1978

David Dilgard

SANDUSKY, Ohio — David E. Dilgard died Wednesday afternoon at Memorial Hospital in Sandusky following a brief illness.

He is survived by his daughters, Mr. Violet Wallace of Auburn and Mrs. Helen Ann Collings of Sandusky, and a brother, Wilbur, of Auburn. Also surviving are nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Dilgard lived at 1229 W. Madison St. in Sandusky. He was a retired truck driver for Union Chain Corporation and a member of Sandusky Senior Citizens Club.

Graveside services for Mr. Dilgard will be held at a later date. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society or to a charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, Sat., April 29, 1978

Orpha Akey

GRABILL — Mrs. Orpha L. Akey, mother of William Akey, Auburn, died today at her home, Route 1, Grabill, at 10:30 a.m. Friday. She was 76 years old.

Mrs. Akey was a lifelong Allen County resident. She is survived by her son; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Smith, Sweetzser, and Mrs. Dale Wallux of Tulsa, Okla.; one sister, Mrs. Beulha Soule, Grabill; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Monday at the Hockemeyer Funeral Home, Harlan. Burial will be at the Leo Memorial Cemertery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Robert F. Douglas

Robert F. Douglas, 60, 2024 Bradford Dr., Auburn, died 4:30 a.m. today in his home. He had been ill five years from a heart condition, emphysema and other complecations.

Born May 30, 1917, to Charles and Bessy (Luedeman) Douglas, he married Mary Carper on April 4, 1941, in Auburn.

Mr. Douglas was employed by the Dana Corporation before his retirement. He was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Surviving Mr. Douglas are his mother, Mrs. Charles Douglas, a former Auburn resident now living in St. Paris, Fla.; his wife, Mary Douglas; one son, Robert Douglas Jr., 1910 Silber Rd., Houston, Tex. and a sister, Mrs. Sue LaMonthe of Fairburn, Ga.

Graveside services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Woodlawn Cemertery. Arrangements are being made by the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home.

Marguerite Fish

Marguerite Fish, 59, Route 2, Spencerville, died Sunday at 10 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Fish was born in Fairfield Township March 23, 1919, the daughter of Floyd Alfred and Ruby (Johnson) Dixon.

She was married Oct. 6, 1945, in Fort Wayne to Paul Fish, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Karen Griggs, Ashley, and Mrs. Rita Bailey, Butler; three sons, Darrell, Fort Wayne, Warren Lee, Auburn, and Dwight, Spencerville; three sisters, Doris Henderson, Auburn, Marjory Stite, Cannon Country, Cal., and Annabelle Dixon, New Hall, Cal.; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Fish was a memberr of the Spencerville 386 chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, the Spencerville Community Club, and the Izaak Walton League of America.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, the Rev. Terry Rhine, pastor of the Spencerville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Eastern Star services will be held at the funeral home Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Virgie Hicks

Virgie Hicks, 53, 901 W. Ensley Ave, Auburn, died Saturday at 10:30 p.m. at her home after an illness of one month.

Mrs. Hicks was born March 16, 1925, in Wayland, Ky.

She was married Oct. 22, 1950, to Sterling Hicks, who preceeded her in death Aug. 19, 1972.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. James (Carol) Burton, Eglin AFB, Fla.; one son, Arvil, Butler; two brothers, Elbert and Delzie Slone, Kentucky; one sister, Louhetti Slone, Auburn; and one grandchild.

Mrs. Hicks was employed at the Essex Corporation until she became ill.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Freewill Baptist Church near Waterloo, Rev. Edward Vanderpool and Rev. Rodney Buzzard officiating.

Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Bale Funeral Home after 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs Hicks will lie in state at the church Wednesday from noon until 1:30 p.m.

David Dilgard

A memorial service for David Dilgard, who died Wednesday at Sandusky Memorial Hospital, Sandusky, Ohio, will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Norris Chapel United Methodist Church.

Surviving Mr. Dilgard are a brother, Wilbur, Auburn; two daughters, Violet Wallace, Auburn, and Helen Collings, Sandusky; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Three children preceeded Mr. Dilgard in death.

Burial is in Sandusky.

Wilbur Ernest

Wilbur Ernest, 63, died Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at his home at Route 3, Auburn, County Road 50.

He was born in Auburn on Nov 4, 1914 to Mr. And Mrs. Marion and Rosa (Zimmerman) Ernest. He worked for Warner Gear in Auburn for 37 years.

He married Bonnie F. Jimison, surviving, in Albion on Nov. 10, 1934.

He is also survived by two sons, Larry, Route 3, Auburn, and Jimmy, Ashley, and three grandsons.

His funeral will be at Garrett's McKee Funmeral Home on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the fuenral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., May 2, 1978

Lawrence Dickerson

HELMER — Lawrence Dickerson Sr., 74, Helmer, was found dead at 5 p.m. Monday at his residence.

Born Sept. 23, 1903 in Fairmount, he was the son of Harve and Clara (Sprung) Dickerson.

He had resided in Helmer the past eight years. He was a retired employee of International Harvester, Fort Wayne.

Survivors are seven daughters, Mrs. Velma Watson, Route 2, Summittville; Mrs. Betty Snyder, Alexandria; Mrs. Catherine Elkins, and Mrs. Clara Messer, both of Helmer; Mrs. Patricia Davis, Waterloo; Miss Leota Dickerson, Route 1, Corunna; and Miss Dawn Dickerson, at home; two sons, Lawrence Dickerson Jr., Anderson; and Larry Dickerson, Fort Wayne; four sisters, Mrs. Pearl Fesler, Pennville; Mrs. Sylvia Heritage, and Mrs. Ethel Spitzmesser, both of Alexandria; and Mrs. Mary Clark, Fort Wayne; one brother, Bruce Dickerson, Muncie; 19 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Wayne W. Davis of the Helmer United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Wright Cemetery, rural Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Heart Disease Research Foundation, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Evening Star, Weds., May 3, 1978

Nolen Hartzler

TOPEKA — Nolen J. Hartzler, 57, Route 1, Topeka, died at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at his residence from carbon monoxide poisoning.

Born Jan. 30, 1921 in Topeka, he was the son of Dana and Dorothy (Zimmerman) Hartzler. He married Alberta Augsburger May 20, 1945 in Middlebury. She survives.

Mr. Hartzler was a lifetime resident of Topeka and was employed by Monsanto Corp., Ligonier. He was a member of the Silver Street Mennonite Church at Goshen.

Survivors besides the wife are two sons, Roger Hartzler, DeMotte; and Keith Hartzler, Fort Wayne; one sister, Mrs. Leonard (Carolyn) Leichty, Auburn; one brother, Cleo Hartzler, Topeka; and two grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Maple Grove Cemetery followed by a memorial service at 10:30 a.m. in the Silver Street Mennonite Church with Rev. Gary Martin and Rev. Maurice Hirschy officiating.

Calling will be after 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday afternoon and evening at the Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier.

The family requests memorials be made to the Silver Street Mennonite Church.

No Obituary on Thur., May 4, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., May 5, 1978

Gail Ann Kreischer

Gail Ann Kreischer, 26, Route 1, Auburn, died very unexpectedly Thursday at 9:50 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Kreischer was a 1969 graduate of DeKalb High School and was employed by Wilhelmine Fuhrer, accountant. She was born in Fort Wayne on May 11, 1951, but lived in the Auburn area most of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Keith, whom she married on May 1, 1971 in Norris Chapel United Methodist Church near Auburn. Also surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Waterson, Route 1, Auburn; a brother, Larry Waterson, Hartford City; and a grandmother, Zelma Forrest, Churubusco.

She was a member of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Joseph Hanawalt, pastor of Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at Bale Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

Hazel Clady

GARRETT — Hazel M. Clady, 84, died Friday at 5:55 a.m. at Garrett Community Hospital from complications. She had been in failing health for five years, and had been at the hospital since May 2. A Garrett resident since 1910, she lived at 314 N. Walsh St.

She was born July 8, 1893 in Clair, Michigan to Charles and Agnes (Anderson) Dingman. On Dec. 30, 1913, in Auburn, she married William R. Clady, deceased.

Mrs. Clady is survived by two daughters; Mrs. Audrey Gaff, Garrett, and Mrs. Joyce Westenhever, Angola; a stepson; Harold Clady, Birmingham, Ala.; five grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at McKee Funeral Home on Monday at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Thomas Hensley from the First Church of Christ in Garrett will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after noon on Sunday.

Bertha Clark

AVON PARK, Fla. — Bertha Clark, 93, former co-owner of Ashley Hardware along with her husband, died April 16 at Hillcrest Nursing Home in Avon Park, Fla.

She is survived by her husband, G.W.

Her graveside services will be held at Graveside Circle Cemetery in Hudson, Ind. on Monday at 10 a.m. Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home of Auburn is in charge of arrangements. The Rev. Carl Wirey of Auburn's Methodist Church will officiate.

Esther Ivey

BUTLER—Esther Ivey, 89, died at 1:50 p.m. Friday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient three days.

She was born in Butler on June 30, 1888 and married in May 1931 to Leonard Ivey, deceased.

Her parents were Albert and Jennie (Gramling) Gengnagel, both deceased.

Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Etta Souder of Butler.

Mrs. Ivey was 50-year member of the Bethel Shrine No. 1 in Chicago and a 50-year member of the Southtown No. 986 Order of the Eastern Star.

Services at the Johnson Funeral Home Monday will be at 11 a.m. with cremation to follow.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Correction

Monday's edition reported that the late Wilbur Ernest was survived by three grandsons. He was survived by two grandsons and one granddaughter. The Star regrets the error.

The Evening Star, Mon., May 8, 1978

William Bauer

ANGOLA — William J. Bauer, 80, a former DeKalb County resident, died Saturday in Lakeland Nursing Home at Angola. Mr. Bauer was a retired Ohio Bell Telephone employee and had lived at Crooked Lake.

He is survived by a sister, Mary Shanteau, Toledo, Ohio, one granddaughter and two great-grandsons.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, where friends may call from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery at Newville.

John A. Zumbaugh

GARRETT — John A. Zumbaugh, 60, 507 E. Quincy St., Garrett, was dead on arrival at Garrett Community Hospital at 5:15 p.m. Monday. He suffered a heart attack. He had been in failing health for four months.

Mr. Zumbaugh was an electric motor repairman. He retired as a B&O Railroad conductor in 1957.

He was born in Garrett on August 19, 1917 and lived there most of his life. He married Madelaine Crager in Winchester, Ind. on August 28, 1937. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Gary Laub of Butler, and two sons, John E. and Michael W., both of Garrett.

He was a member of the Butler Eagles, Garrett Elks, United Transportation Union and an active member of the Northeast Indiana Paraplegic Foundation.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Thomas Hensley will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Dale Cool

MUNCIE — Dale Cool, a former Auburn resident and insurance salesman, died unexpectedly at his home, 2210 W. Memorial St., Muncie, Monday.

Mr. Cool was born Dec. 17, 1921. He married Lois Shafer Aug. 11, 1943.

A World War II veteran, he was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He was employed as a salesman by Prudential Insurance.

Surviving are Mr. Cool's mother, Mrs. Hazel (Hosel) Warner and his wife, Lois. Also surviving are two brothers, George Cool, Florida' and Chalmer Cool of Auburn, and two sons, Ron, of Indianapolis and Jerry, Muncie.

Funeral services will be held at the Dilgard and Cline funeral home, Auburn, at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Rev. George Schuette will officiate. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. A special Masonic service will be given Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Richard I. Bacon

BUTLER — Richard I. Bacon, 45 year Butler resident, died from a heart attack Monday at 1 p.m. at his home, 132 Park Lane, Butler.

Mr. Bacon was born Dec. 29, 1912, in Decatur, Ill., son of Oliver and Lula (Robertson) Bacon. He was married June 20, 1935 in Auburn to Bessie E. Oberlin, who survives.

A retired pressman, Mr. Bacon was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church.

Surviving are a brother, Robert, of Battle Creek, Mich.; a sister, Mrs. Katherine Durham, Irons, Mich.; three daughters, Mrs. Helen Jane Billings, Butler, Mrs. Janis Smith, Hudson, and Mrs. Kay Weicht, Butler; a son, Richard, Jr., Butler; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be given at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, Thursday at 1 p.m. by Rev. Herschel McCard. Burial will be at Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., May 3, 1978

Jennie Royer

ASHLEY — Jennie Royer, 78, a former Ashley resident who had lived at 510 Mill St., Montpelier, Ohio, the past six months, died Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in Williams County General Hospital, Montpelier. She had been ill seven months.

Born May 7, 1900 in DeKalb County, she was the daughter of Joseph and Addie (Martin) Gipple. She married Cloy Royer who preceded her in death in 1958.

Mrs. Royer had been a homemaker.

Survivors are one daughter, Pauline Miller, Montpelier; two sons, Levon Royer, Montpelier; and LaMarr "Babe", Royer, Ashley; one sister, Joy Aldrich, Edon, Ohio; one brother, Otis Gipple, Ashley; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, with Rev. Dean Snyder of the Ashley Church of God officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Nancy A. Houck

BUTLER — Nancy A. Houck, 75, died Tuesday at 1 a.m. in her home in Troy Township, Route 2, Butler.

Mrs. Houck was a lifetime resident of Troy Township. She was born there August 22, 1902 to the late William and Micha (Rickerd) Bryant.

She married Chester Houck, who survives, on June 22, 1921 in Auburn. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Treeva Ulm and Mrs. Marilyn Haynes, and a sister, Mrs. Mildred Souder, all of Route 2, Butler; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in Butler Church of Christ, where she was a member. Rev. Wayne Michaels, her pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

No Obituary on Thurs., May 11, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., May 12, 1978

Katherine Kruse

FORT WAYNE — Mrs. Katherine (Starmer) Kruse, 65, died Thursday at 9:20 a.m. in Fort Wayne Health Care Center. She was born in Kendallville April 17, 1913 to the late Roy and Ethel Starmer. She was the wife of Eugene Kruse, who preceded her in death in 1970.

She is survived by three children, John Kruse, Auburn; Tom Kruse, Bellevue, Wash.; and Susan Ross, Atlanta, Ga.; along with four grandchildren.

According to her wishes, there will be no public services or calling.

Memorials to the Cancer Society are preferred.

The Evening Star, Sat., May 13, 1978

Blanche Wright

Mrs. Blanche M. Wright, 83, Route 2, Auburn, mother of Mrs. Fern McNamara, Route 1, Auburn, died today at 4:30 a.m. at the Glennacres Nursing Home, Fort Wayne. She had been ill 4½ years.

Born on Aug. 28, 1894, in Dutch Ridge, Allen County, Mrs. Wright was the daughter of Eli and Emma (Kruse) Gorman.

She married Jesse Wright Dec. 20, 1915. He preceeded her in death Oct. 28, 1977.

Mrs. Wright was a member of the County Line Church of God and the Rehoboth Community Cirlce.

Surviving are her daughter, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother, Lester Gorman.

Services will be held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, at 2 p.m. Monday, with Rev. Michael Kennedy, County Line Church of God, officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Services held

Services for Jennie Royer were held Friday at 1 p.m. at the Swank-Sprankel Funeral Home, Ashley. Rev. Dean Snyder, Ashley Church of God, officiated.

Pallbearers were Dean Wysong, Chet Rigsby, Max Gipple, Owen Aldrich, Bill Gipple and Ed Pence.

The Evening Star, Mon., May 15, 1978

Ralph Warstler

Ralph E. Warstler, 83, died Saturday at 4:05 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital from a heart attack. He lived at Route 2, Auburn, and was a retired farmer.

He was born on April 15, 1895 in Jackson Township, and on Aug. 30, 1941, married Lovina Munger, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Delores Means, Auburn; a step-daughter, Mrs. Eunice Zehr, Spencerville; a son, Dale, Auburn; three sisters; Emma Grate, Waterloo; Mary Grate, Betz Nursing Home, and Ada McInturf, Auburn; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

His funeral will be at County Line Church of God on Tuesday at 4 p.m. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call Feller-Graffis Funeral home after 4 p.m. Monday.

No Obituary on Tues., May 16, 1978

Wilbur Dilgard

Wilbur M. Dilgard, 81, died Tuesday at 1:15 p.m. in his home at 317 W. Sixteenth St., Auburn. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He had been ill for two years. He was a retired railroader and farmer.

He was born July 21, 1896 in Indiana to Tom and Margaret (Wilson) Dilgard. In 1921, he married Ruth Foote, surviving.

He is also survived by two sons, Max E., Phoenix, Ariz., and Robert L., Route 3, Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Eloise) Dove, rural Auburn; nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Mr. Dilgard was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

His funeral will be at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Friday. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Thursday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Cancer Fund or to the DeKalb Heart Fund.

George Burkhart

HAMILTON — George C. Burkhart, 69, Ravenna, Mich., formerly of Hamilton, died Monday morning in Ravenna.

Born Sept. 20, 1908 he was the son of Archie and Edna (Sharp) Burkhart.

Mr. Burkhart had lived in St. Petersburg, Fla., 40 years before moving to Ravenna.

Survivors are his wife, Ida; one daughter, Mrs. George (Anita) Blankee, Barrington, Ill.; one son, Donald Burkhart, Ravenna; two sisters, Mrs. Clela Dirrim, Hamilton; and Mrs. Virginia Mearse, Eden, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home, (formerly the Swift Funeral Home) Hamilton, with Rev. Amos McGinnis officiating.

Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thur., May 18, 1978

John Acton III

John Acton III, 18, died Wednesday from carbon monoxide poisoning. He lived at 513 Eastwood Drive, and was a senior student-athlete at DeKalb High School.

He was born March 13, 1960 in Erlanger, Kentucky, to Mr. and Mrs. John M. and Lois (Massey) Acton II, who both survive.

He is also survived by three sisters; Mrs. Emily (Terry) Everett, Aurora, Ind; Mrs. Linda West, Lafayette, Ind.; Caroline and Jane Elizabeth, at home.

His funeral will be at Immaculate Conception Church on Friday at 8:30 a.m. Msgr. Leo Hoffmann will officiate. A rosary service is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be Saturday at the Bellvue Cemetery in Danville, Ky.

Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in care of arrangements. Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Thursday.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Memorial Cancer Association.

Paul Boszor

KENDALLVILLE — Paul L. Boszor, 60, 510 N. Summitt St., died Wednesday at 6:59 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital. He had been ill since February, 1977.

Born in Noble County, Jan. 30, 1918, he was the son of Claude and Letha (Yergin) Boszor. He married Catherine Bagby May 21, 1945 in Kendallville. She survives.

Mr. Boszor was a lifetime resident of Kendallville and had been a route supervisor for Puritan Ice Cream Company for 31 years. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of Faith United Methodist Church, American Legion Post 86, Kendallville; and the National and Indiana Associations for Retarded Children.

Survivors besides the wife are four daughters, Letha Ann Boszor, Mrs. Neal (Caroline) Richey, and Mrs. Mike (Teena) Bodenhafer, all of Kendallville; and Mrs. Roger (Sharon) Van Dyke, Aurelia, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Phillips, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Betty Jones, Garrett; and five grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with Rev. Donald C. Steltz of the Faith United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

The Evening Star, Fri., May 19, 1978

Norman Carrico

Norman Carrico, 64, 305 N. McClellan St., Auburn, died Thursday at 4:10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there for five days.

Mr. Carrico was retired from his work as a divisional claim agent and member of the legal department for the B&O Railroad. He was a graduate of the University of Maryland and the Cumberland Academy.

He was born in Keyser, W.Va. on May 5, 1914 to the late Virgil Nix and Grace (Sheetz) Carrico. He lived in Auburn the past 20 years.

He is survived by his wife, the former Lucille Gnagy, whom he married at Charleston, W.Va. in 1937.

Also surviving are two children, Dr. Norman Carrico, Bryan, Ohio and Mrs. Lowell (Janet) Gratigny, Indianapolis, along with three grandchildren.

He was buried at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Roselawn Cemetery, following a prayer service at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey officiated.

Cleo A. Shoudel

Cleo A. Shoudel, 45, 213 E. Twelfth St., Auburn, died Thursday at 3:30 p.m. during abdominal surgery at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Shoudel was employed by Superior Iron & Metal Company of Fort Wayne, and was a Korean War veteran. He was born in Franklin Township, DeKalb County on May 20, 1932.

He is survived by his parents, Albert and Oleva Shoudel of Auburn.

Also surviving are four children, Ronald Shoudel and Sandra Shoudel, Mrs. Diana Brown and Mrs. Lori Haiflich, all of Auburn; two brothers, Leonard of Auburn and Donald of Churubusco; and one grandchild, Jason Brown.

His funeral will be Monday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Church. Msgr. Leo Hoffmann will officiate. Burial will be in St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery north of Waterloo. The Auburn American Legion will conduct military graveside services.

Friends may call at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo after 4 p.m. Sunday. A rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat., May 20, 1978

Richard J. Gael

ASHLEY — Richard J. Gael, 63, Route 1, Ashley, died Friday night at his home. He had been ill about four months.

Mr. Gael was born June 4, 1914 in Garrett. A resident of Ashley for the last 31 years, he was a retired machinist from Bowmar Instruments, Fort Wayne and a member of the American Legion, Post 178, Garrett. He was also a World War II veteran.

He married Gertrude Hauck June 19, 1943 in Garrett. She is living. They had five children: Arthur Gael, Marion, Ind., Alan Gael, Churubusco, Marvin Gael, Auburn, and Anna Marie and Elizabeth Gael, both at home.

Mr. Gael also has a brother, Eugene Gael, Elmhurst, Ill., and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Ober, Corunna.

Services for Mr. Gael will be in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, where he was a member. Pastor Lloyd Bickle of that church will officiate. Calling is at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, after 2 p.m. Sunday. Burial will be at the Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Donald J. Norman

HUDSON — Donald J. Norman, 78, was found dead at his residence at 2 a.m. today.

Born June 16, 1899 he was the son of George and Cora (Greeno) Norman. He married Grace Mansberger Sept. 19, 1920 in Hudson. She survives.

Mr. Norman was vegetable grower and a lifelong resident of Hudson. He was a former clerk of Hudson and trustee of Salemn Township. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the United Brethren Church in Christ: American Legion Post 31, Angola; and the Angola Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann Boneff, Angola; one son Dean W. Norman, Hudson; and five grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the United Brethren Church in Christ.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made to the Hudson United Brethren Church in Christ Memorial Fund.

No Obituary on Mon., May 22, 1978

The Evening Star, Tues., May 23, 1978

Vincent Carunchia

Vincent J. Carunchia, 57, 229 Burnam St., Kendallville, died today at 2:02 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he was admitted May 15 with a heart ailment.

Born in Kingmont, W. Va., March 13, 1921, he was the son of Nick and Mary (Gargarella) Carunchia. He married Martha J. Traster July 5, 1941 in Kendallville. His parents and wife survive.

Mr. Carunchia had been a Kendallville resident the past 38 years coming from West Virginia. He was vice president of Carunchia Brothers Inc., and had been in the restaurant business 35 years. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church; a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club; Kendallville Moose Lodge and Kendallville Elks Lodge.

Survivors besides the wife; and parents, who reside in Kingmont, are one daughter, Mrs. Mario (Patricia) Tarabrella, Fort Wayne; two sons, Nick C. Carunchia, 414 N. Riley St., Kendallville; and Vincent J. Carunchia Jr., San Francisco, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Frances Brown, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Caroline Morgan, Kingmont; three brothers, Anthony Carunchia, Kendallville; Pat Carunchia, Bonita Springs, Fla.; and Joseph Carunchia, Kingmont; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral mass will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church, with Msgr. William Faber officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home after 12 p.m. Wednesday.

A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Noble County Heart Association.

Services held

Services for Richard Gael were held Monday at 1 p.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, with Pastor Lloyd Bickel officiating.

Burial was in Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Roger Woodcock, Richard Frick, Neil Prentice, Fred Sattler, Robert Muesing and Arthur Mertz.

Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Kenneth Roberts

Kenneth John Roberts, 74, 1046 Steve Street, Auburn, died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 7:10 a.m. Tuesday. He had been in failing health since January.

Roberts was a retired worker from the Auburn Foundry where he worked until 1965. He worked the past few years as maintenance man for the town of St. Joe.

He married Pat Kauffman on May 27, 1966. She is living.

Also surviving is a step-child, Walter Frain, Fort Wayne and three step-grandchildren. A sister, Mary Mathes, Spencerville, also survives.

Mr. Roberts was born October 19, 1903 to Clark and Daisy (Dean) Roberts.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Coburn Corners, where he was a member. Pastor John Paul Hill of that church will officiate. Calling is at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, Ohio, after 1:30 p.m. Thursday and after 9 a.m. Friday. The body will be moved to the church at 12 noon. Burial will be in the Newville Cemetery.

Darryl Albright

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio — Darryl Dean Albright, 34, died here Sunday.

Albright is survived by his parents, William and Doris Albright, Morningstar Road, Auburn and eight brothers and sisters.

The brothers are: Frederick Albright, Waterloo; Arthur Albright, Kendallville; Phillip Albright, Trenton, Ohio; John Albright, Middletown, Ohio; Samuel Albright, Garrett; Irvin Albright, El Paso and Bobby Joe Albright, Tina, Ky. The sister is Barbara Armstrong, Morningstar Road, Auburn.

Three children also survive, Penny Lynn, Middletown, Darryl Dean and Scott, West Edge Park, Auburn.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Calling is after 9 a.m. Thursday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Fred Nell

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Fred E. Nell, 88, Route 2, Hicksville, died here Tuesday at the Fountain Manor Nursing Home.

Mr. Nell was a farmer in the Hicksville area since 1914. He was born April 20, 1890.

Survivors include a grandson, Keith Scranton, Auburn and a daughter Mildred Scranton, Hicksville.

Mr. Nell was a member of St. John's Luthern Church and a former elder there. He was a former member of the Jolly Elder's senior citizen's club, a former member of the Defiance County Farm Bureau and a former member of the Hicksville Grange.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in St. John's Church. Pastor Cecil King will officiate. Calling is Thursday from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Burial will be in the Evansport Cemetery, Hicksville.

Merle B. Jackson

FORT WAYNE — Merle B. Jackson, 71, 734 Ridgewood Drive, Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at the Byron Health Center.

Mr. Jackson was a retired worker for Kroger and was married to Dora M. Jordon on March 30, 1956 in Fort Wayne. She is living.

He is survived by a son, James L. Jackson, Orrville, Ohio, a sister, Mrs. Pluma Orcutt, Fort Wayne and a grandchild.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Friday at the McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Pastor Alfred Beal, a retired Methodist minister from Albion, will officiate. Calling is after 1 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in the Covington Memorial Garden in Fort Wayne.

Benjamin Sevrence

GARRETT — Benjamin R. Sevrence, 71, Harrison, Mich., died at his home Wednesday. He was a former resident of this area.

Mr. Sevrence was born April 28, 1907. He married Marjorie (Wiler) Lasure. She is living.

Survivors include a step-son, James Lasure, Garrett, two sons, LaOtta, Waterloo and LaVon, Fort Wayne and a daughter, Mrs. Glenn DonMyer, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Artis Winegar, Cassellberry, Fla., Mrs. Myrtle Parson, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Marvel Schmucker, Pettisville, Ohio. He has 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Sevrence was a member of the Moose Lodge, Napoleon, Ohio and the United Brethren Church, Harrison. He was a retired engineer for the Pennsylvania Railroad and lived in Fort Wayne for many years.

Services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at the United Presbyterian Church, Garrett. Rev. Allen P. Reed will officiate. Cremation will follow.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Friday.

Meredith Thompson

GALVESTON, Ind. — Meredith W. Thompson, 54, a former Auburn High School principal, died Tuesday afternoon in Methodist Hospital at Indianapolis. He had been hospitalized since May 11, when he was injured in a traffic accident near his home on Route 2, Galveston (between Kokomo and Logansport).

Mr. Thompson had been superintendent of Southeastern school Corporation in Cass County for the last four years. He served as Auburn High School principal for five years from about 1961-65.

He is survived by his wife, the former Audrey Kriegbawm, whom he married March 10, 1946. Also surviving are a brother, Marvin Thompson of Hamilton; three children, Marsha, at home; Steven, Balboa, Cal.; and Charles, North Manchester; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Nix, Huntington.

Mr. Thompson was born Feb. 20, 1924 in Huntington County to the late Burr and Dessie (Wiley) Thompson. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and a graduate of Ball State University. During his career, he also served four years as principal of Albion H.S. before coming to Auburn. He left Auburn to become principal at Madison H.S., and later served four years as superintendent at Manchester before moving to Cass County.

His funeral will be Friday at 1 p.m. in Murray Funeral Home, Galveston Chapel. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren, Ind.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society or to Center United Methodist Church, where he was a member.

Marla Huffman

FORT WAYNE — Marla Jean Huffman, 24, an Auburn native, died very unexpectedly at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Parkview Memorial Hospital. She had been taken to the hospital Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Huffman lived at 1413 Oneida St., Fort Wayne. She was an employee of the Communications Department of the City of Fort Wayne. She was a 1971 graduate of Leo High School and had attended Hesston College (Kansas) and Ivy Teeh secretarial school.

She was born in Auburn on June 22, 1953 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leichty, who survive in Fort Wayne. She married William Huffman on May 1, 1976 in Leo. Her husband survives.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Carma Reincke, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Connie Norris, Fort Wayne and Sarah, at home; and a grandfather, Fordyce Brace, Route 1, Spencerville.

She was a member of North Leo Mennonite Church and the Women's Agloo Fellowship, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral will be in the North Leo Mennonite Church at 10 a.m. Saturday. Rev. Ray Erb, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

Friends may call from 7-9 tonight at the church. Memorials to the Mennonite Central Committee Disaster Services are preferred. Bale Funeral Home of Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Ermie Habegger

BUTLER — Ermie E. Matson Habegger, 86, rural Berne, died early today at the Souder Health Center, Auburn. She was a former resident of the Butler area.

Mrs. Habegger had been at the center 18 months. She died at 3 a.m.

She is survived by three sons, Edward Matson, Auburn, Willis, Mt. Home, Ark., and Lloyd, Davison, Mich. Three sisters also survive, Mrs. Ludie Chapman, Mrs. Clara Clark, Waterloo, and Mrs. Mary Miller, Auburn.

She has 15 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, 1 p.m. Saturday. Rev. Dean Schlekau, Berne, will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery. Calling is after 2 p.m. Friday.

Sylvia Ginther

SPENCERVILLE — Sylvia Ginther, 89, a lifetime Spencerville area resident, died Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital Chalet at Los Angeles, Cal. She had been ill six months and hospitalized for three months.

Mrs. Ginther lived on Route 2, Spencerville. She was the wife of the late Otto Ginther.

Surviving are two daughters, Dorothy Condrey, Indianapolis, and Virginia Vessey, Altadena, Cal., along with five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. John Paul Hill, pastor of Coburn Corners Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery at St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. The Spencerville Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will hold memorial services at 8:30 p.m.

No Obituaries on Sat., Mon., May 27 & 29, 1978

The Evening Star, Tues., May 30, 1978

Lowell Bonecutter

Lowell I. Bonecutter, 74, died Sunday, May 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Bonecutter was born Oct. 11, 1903 in Putman County, Ohio, to Gilbert and Zora Jane (Wing) Bonecutter. He married Sylvia McKean on Dec. 12, 1930, in Waterloo. His wife survives. Mr. Bonecutter was a life-long resident of the Waterloo area and was a retired farmer.

He is also survived by two sons, Stanley, San Luis, Cal., and Gilbert Scott Bonecutter, Corunna; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas Meiring, Corunna; four brothers, Raymond, Rogers, Ark., Floyd, Waterloo, Eugene, Indianapolis and Thayer (Ike), Wilmington, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Howard, Hamilton, and Mrs. Ruth Imes, Birchdale, Minn.; four grandchildren and one great-grandson. One sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Robert Staup will officiate. Friends may call any time. Burial is in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Furl G. Schmidt

Furl G. Schmidt, 63, died Sunday at 10:25 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville. He lived at Route 2, Waterloo, and was a farmer and district manager of Na-Churs Plant Food Company.

Mr. Schmidt was born Feb. 18, 1915 in Putman County, Ohio, and married Lela Clear Jan. 1, 1936, in DeKalb County. She survives.

He is also survived by his mother Eunice Schmidt; three daughters, Mrs. Ellen Parsell, Waterloo, Mrs. Carol Lehleidner, Butler, and Mrs. Ruth Ann Surface, Auburn; one brother, Doyle, Angola; two sisters, Mrs. Wava Brandon, Route 1, Corunna, and Mrs. Lila Holden, Route 1, Hudson; and 12 grandchildren. Mr. Schmidt's father, Cloyd Schmidt, one brother and one son preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, the Ashley Grange, and was an Indiana Grange officer.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo. George Elder of the Cedar Lake Church will officiate. Friends may call at the funeral home any time. Burial is in Fairfield Cemetery.

The Evening Star, Weds., May 31, 1978

Adam Root

Adam Joel Root infant son of Albert and Sherry (Himes) Root, died at 5:50 p.m. Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, where he was born two hours and 19 minutes earlier.

The body was transferred to Wilson St. Pierre Funeral 1234 Prospect Ave., Indianapolis. Graveside services will be held June 3 at the East Hill Cemetery, Morgantown.

Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

Paul Vallance

WATERLOO — Paul William Vallance, 20, a U.S. Army paratrooper and son of Waterloo Chief of Police Billy Vallance, was killed early Wednesday morning in a two-car accident at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Mr. Vallance was one of four killed in the crash which occured at 4:45 a.m. His home was 230 E. Chestnut St., Waterloo. He was a graduate of DeKalb High School and a member of the 1975 DeKalb cross country team that finished fourth in the state meet.

He was born in Vincenza, Italy May 8, 1958 to Billy and Helen Vallance.

He is survived by a half-brother Pvt. John Storjohann, U.S. Army, Fort Bragg, two brothers, Michael and Steve Vallance, Waterloo, two sisters, Rose Ann McKenzie, Manchester, England, Sally Ann Hamilton, Oscola, Mich., and two half-sisters, Teri and Chris Storjohann, Waterloo.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Robert McEntarfer

CHURUBUSCO — Robert McEntarfer, 54, died early today after a one-year illness. He was born to Ora and Goldie (Smith) McEntarfer in Waterloo November 7, 1923.

Mr. McEntarfer was a resident of Allen County for the last 20 years and employed at Speedway Lumber before his illness.

He is survived by his wife Mary, a daughter, Roberta and a step-daughter, Teresa, both at home.

One son, Robert, Huntington, is also living along with three brothers and seven sisters. They are:

Clyde McEntarfer, Ashley, Henry McEntarfer, Lansing, Mich., Lloyd McEntarfer, Placerville Ga., Mrs. Henry McClowskey, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Norman Burkhalter, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Bill Burkhalter, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Merle Timmons, San Jose, Calif., Mrs. John Fitch, Owosso, Mich., Mrs. Robert Hull, Angola and Mrs. Jack Glyshaw, Mansfield, Ohio.

One half-sister, Mrs. Norbert Johnson of Ashley, and five grandchildren also survive.

Services will be 2 p.m. Sunday at the Crider-Workman Memorial Chapel, Churubusco, with burial in the Eel River Cemetery. Rev. Thomas Wildev: pastor of the Albion Wesleyan Methodist Church, will officiate.

Calling is at the chapel after 12 noon Saturday.

Pearl Peckhart

Pearl L. Peckhart, 81, a resident of the Kendallville Nursing Home, died today at 6:15 a.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital.

Born in Fort Wayne, May 16, 1897, she was the daughter of Samuel and Mary (Garman) Jackson. She married Ora S. Peckhart July 4, 1913 in Fort Wayne. He preceded her in death June 17, 1962.

Mrs. Peckhart had lived in Kendallville since 1939 moving from Auburn. She had been a seamstress at Fort Wayne Tailoring. She was a member of the Elmwood Mennonite Church.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Vivian Shepherd, Kendallville; and Mrs. Velma Mabee, Butler; two sons, Norman Peckhart, Hudson; and Ronald Peckhart, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Anna Haywood, Auburn; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, two grandchildren, one great-grandchild and four sisters.

Funeral will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. J. L. Hostetler of the Elmwood Mennonite Church officiating.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Howard Ohmart

Howard S. Ohmart, 86, Route 1, Auburn, died Thursday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he was admitted May 27 following a stroke.

Born Nov. 10, 1891 in Wabash County, he was the son of Charles and Wilhelmina (Warren) Ohmart. He married Flossie Peabody Jan. 23, 1923. She preceded him in death Feb. 11, 1976.

Mr. Ohmart had lived in the North Manchester area in his youth and in South Bend where he was employed by the Studebaker Company until 1939. He then moved to Auburn where he managed the Dr. Bonnell Souder farm. He had also lived near Fremont, Avilla and Spencerville. He was a veteran of World War I and Avilla American Legion Post 240.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Forrest (Patricia) Carper, Route 1, Auburn; one son, Philip W. Ohmart, Route 1, Spencerville; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Smith Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Burial will be in Greenhill Cemetery, Columbia City.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 7-9 p.m.

The Evening Star, Sat., June 3, 1978

John McCollough

John A. McCullough, 88, a life-long resident of Garrett and 40-year employee of the B&O Railroad, died of complications Friday at 7 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since May 23.

Mr. McCullough was born in Garrett April 1, 1890, the son of Shannon and Clara McCullough. He lived in Garrett all his life. His late address was 1316 S. Randolph St.

On April 16, 1913, he married Lelah Winn in Auburn. She preceded him in death May 28, 1974.

Mr. McCullough was a veteran of World War I. He went to work for the B&O in 1919 and retired in 1959. He was a conductor at the time of his retirement.

Surviving are one son, Robert W. McCullough, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. I.W. (Betty) Lewis, 804 S. Randolph St., Garrett; a sister, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. McCullough had been a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the Blazing Star Masonic Lodge in Charlestown, Ind., and the Garrett American Legion post.

Funeral services for family only will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, the Rev. James W. Simmons, pastor of the Cedar Chapel Church of the Brethren, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. Masonic services will be conducted at the funeral home Sunday at 7 p.m.

The Evening Star, Mon., June 5, 1978

Helen Halgren

CHESTERTON — Helen M. Halgren, of Porter, Ind., died today at Porter Memorial Hospital, Valparaiso. Funeral arrangements are pending at the White Funeral Home, Chesterton.

Mrs. Halgren is survived by her husband, Leonard Halgren and two children Sharon Cunningham, Chesterton and Ora Mottingly Jr, Porter.

Three brothers, Gerald and Richard Deck, Kokomo and Donald Deck, Wawaka, survive along with three sisters, Mrs. Pauline Hough, Auburn, Lucille Deck, Auburn, and Betty Herzberg, Chicago.

She has five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

No Obituary on Tues., June 6, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., June 7, 1978

Anna Wilcox

Anna Belle Wilcox, 76, Apartment 39 Castle Court, Auburn, died Tuesday at 11:45 p.m. in her home. She had been in failing health for several years.

Mrs. Wilcox was a lifelong resident of Garrett before moving to Auburn five years ago. She was a member of the Rosary Society, a charter member of the Daughters of Isabella and a member of the Auxiliary of Trainmen - Women.

She was born in Garrett on August 21, 1901 to John and Mary (Myers) Long. She married Therron S. Wilcox August 20, 1923. He preceded her in death in 1965.

Surviving are four children, Mrs. Paul (Doris) Daub, Auburn; Jack L. Wilcox, Route 3, Garrett; John W. Wilcox, Route 1, Garrett and Mrs. Mary Lou DeWitt, Muncie.

Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Mabel Long, Auburn.

She has nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the Immaculate Conception Church. Msgr. Leo A. Hoffman will officiate. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Thursday at Bale Funeral Home, where a rosary service is set for 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thur., June 8, 1978

Carol Jones

GARRETT — Carol Ann Jones, 34, 1705 Homestead Drive, Garrett, died Wednesday at 7:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been in failing health for three years.

Mrs. Jones was born in Chicago, Oct. 29, 1943. She was married Allen Jones in Auburn on April 16, 1964. She is survived by her husband and daughter, Jennifer.

She was a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Bale Funeral Home. Morris White will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Florence Isenhower

RICHMOND, Ind. — Florence H. Isenhower, 88, died Wednesday morning at Cedar Springs Nursing Home, east of Richmond, Ind.

Mrs. Isenhower had family ties to the Auburn area. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, Charles Schweizer, Richmond, Garland Isenhower, Portage, Mich. and Margaret Hannon, Fort Wayne. She was the wife of the late Raymond Isenhower, who preceded her in death in 1976.

Services will be 11 a.m. Friday at the Jones and Placke Funeral Home, 1307 E. Main, Richmond. Calling at the funeral home is after 10 a.m. Friday.

No Obituary on Fri., June 9, 1978

The Evening Star, Sat., June 10, 1978

Lydia Ruth Parr

WATERLOO — Lydia Ruth Parr, 51, rural Corunna, died Friday night while recuperating from surgery at the Mayo Clinic two weeks ago.

Mrs. Parr was a Democratic Party precinct committee member for several years and was active in that party.

She was born April 15, 1927 to John H. and Effie T. (Hammon) Reinoehl. She married Otis Burdette Parr June 9, 1945. They have four children.

They are: Thomas Parr, rural Corunna, Mrs. Marcia Franks, rural Ashley, and Timothy and Marcella Parr, both at home.

Also living are two brothers, John and Paul Reinoehl, both of Ashley, two half-brothers, Willis Reinoehl of Corunna and Harold Reinoehl, rural Ashley and a sister, Olga Taylor, rural Waterloo.

She was a member of the Pleasant Chapel Church of the Brethren, the Fairfield Friendship and the Pleasant Chapel Women's Fellowship.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Pleasant Chapel Church. Rev. Thomas Deal will officiate. Calling is at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo after 7 p.m. Sunday. Burial is in the Fairfield Center Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Pleasant Chapel Church.

The Evening Star, Mon., June 12, 1978

Jody Fuller

BUTLER — Jody David Fuller, one-month-old son of David J. and Deborah (Watson) Fuller, was found dead in his crib at 5 a.m. today. The Fullers live at 321 W. Depot St., Butler.

The infant was born May 11. He is survived by a brother, Jason Joe; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Watson, Waterloo; and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Boyd, Corunna.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Carroll McNutt, pastor of Indian Village Church of God, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

No Obituary on Tues., June 13, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., June 14, 1978

Former resident dies

CLERMONT, Fla. — Mrs. Arthur George, a former Auburn resident, died Sunday in Clermont, Fla. She is survived by her husband, Arthur, who formerly operated Economy Cleaners on the corner of Jackson and Fifth Streets before moving to Florida some years ago. Also surviving is a daughter, Sally Lou.

The Evening Star, Thur., June 15, 1978

Bert Hill, 101, dies

WATERLOO — One of DeKalb County's oldest residents, Bert Hill, died at 8:45 a.m. today in Carlin Park Nursing Home at Angola. He was 101 years old.

Mr. Hill was born Aug. 21, 1876 in a home at 335 E. Douglas St., Waterloo. He returned in 1933 and lived in the same home for about 44 years before going to Carlin Park.

His parents were Elijah and Sarah Agnes (Shambaugh) Hill. He graduated from Waterloo High School in 1893 with a class of six. After that, his travels took him throughout the west and midwest. At one time, he was a partner in an excavating business.

His only survivors are one niece, Mrs. Edward Smith of Waterloo, and two nephews, William C. Hill of Belleville, Mich. and H.L. Hill of Cincinnati. A brother, Charles, preceded him in death in 1959 and a sister, Cora Baumgartner, died in 1920.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home. Rev. Max Smith, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Bert Hill
In 1976 photo

Beulah Brown

Beulah Helen Brown, 80, 723 Ohio St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 1:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient there for three weeks.

Mrs. Brown was the wife of the late Philip Brown. They were married July 20, 1918 in Hillsdale, Mich., and he preceded her in death on July 12, 1959. She was born in Williams County, Ohio on March 7, 1898 to the late William and Clara Jane (Keller) Gloy. she was a housewife.

Surviving are seven children. Four sons include Jim of Auburn; Frederick and Gerald, both of Fort Wayne; and Philip of Royal Oak, Mich. Three daughters include Naomi Brown of Auburn; Clara Jane Hons, Wolcottville; and Mrs. Iona Gloy, Riverton, Wyoming.

Twenty-one grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren also survive.

She was a member of the Waterloo Branch, L.D.S. Church.

Her funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. President Matthew Baird will officiate. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

William Rollins

BUTLER — William Henry Rollins, 79, Route 2, Butler, died Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Butler Hotel Rest Home. He had lived there since April.

Mr. Rollins lived in the Butler area for the last 33 years. He was born in Arkansas on May 9, 1899 to the late William and Susie (Greenfield) Rollins.

He married Fae Clark in Golden, Col. on August 30, 1942.

She preceded him in death on Feb. 7, 1976.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Janet Baxter of Butler and Mrs. Jean Boger of Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Sawvel, Butler; Mrs. Rosie Krontz and Mrs. Edna Haffner, both of rural Auburn; and eight grandchildren.

His funeral will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Guy Jeffers will officiate. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Friday.

Theodore Johnson

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Theodore B. Johnson, 67, died Tuesday in Riverside Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. He lived at 2878 Bremen St.

He was born in Newark, Ohio. Surviving him are wife Kathryn Scott, a stepdaughter, Mrs. Jene (Linda) Smith, Michigan; a brother, Rick A. Johnson, Newark, Ohio; and four grandchildren.

His funeral will be at the St. James (The Less) Catholic Church in Columbus on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Burial will be in Auburn's Woodlawn Cemetery, with graveside services scheduled for Thursday at 1 p.m. (CDT).

Schoedinger—Linden Chapel of Columbus is in care of arrangements. Friends may call the chapel between 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Call (614) 267-8363.

The Evening Star, Fri., June 16, 1978

D.E. Herbolsheimer

CLEARWATER, Fla. — D.E. Herbolsheimer, 50, a DeKalb County native, died Thursday morning in Medical Center Hospital at Largo, Fla. He had been ill for two years.

Mr. Herbolsheimer was a native of Garrett. He had lived in Clearwater for the past four years, moving from Mobile, Ala. He was vice-president in charge of of personnel training and development for Morrison Cafeteria, Inc.

He is survived by his mother, Dorothy Herbolsheimer, 108 S. Division St., Auburn; his wife, Dorothy; two sons, Tere D. and Gere M., both of Clearwater; two daughters, Mrs. Linda Major, Lebanon, Tenn. and Mrs. Lisa Troutman, Clearwater; and three grandchildren.

He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Moss Funeral Home Lakeside Chapel at Clearwater. Burial will be in Sylvan Abbey Memorial Park.

Friends may send memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society.

Gretchen Rhodes

Gretchen M. Rhodes, 58, 1509 Superior Drive, Auburn, died in the Souder Health Care Center at 5:05 a.m. today.

Mrs. Rhodes and her husband, Roy, ran the City Cafe Restaurant for many years in Auburn. He died in 1967.

She was born November 14, 1919 to Otis and Ursulla (Dieteh) Miller in Edgerton, Ohio.

She is survived by a son David Rhodes, Auburn and a brother, Quentin Miller, Edgerton.

Services will be 10 a.m. Monday in the Immaculate Conception Church with Msgr. Leo Hoffmann officiating. A rosary will be recited 8 p.m. Sunday in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Calling is at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat., June 17, 1978

Clela M. Chrysler

Clela M. Chrysler, 70, died in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola, Friday, at 2 p.m. due to complications from fracturing both hips. She had been ill five weeks.

Born in Jackson Township, Steuben County, May 4, 1908, she was the daughter of Cleo and Mary Elizabeth (Hilton) German.

She married William W. Chrysler Jan. 27, 1934, in rural Angola. He survives.

Mrs. Chrysler was a lifetime resident of rural Pleasant Lake and a member of the Salem Center Presbyterian Church in Angola.

Also surviving is one foster son, Robert Parrish, Pleasent Lake; and four foster grandchildren.

Services will be held in Kiestler Funeral Home, Hudson, at 2 p.m. Monday with Rev. Harold E. Olson, retired United Methodist minister, officiating.

Burial will be in the Flint Cemetery, Angola.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Daniel Smith

GARRETT — Daniel D. Smith, 76, Garrett, died Sunday at 8:10 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. The lifelong Garrett resident lived at 411 N. Randolph St.

He was born Sept. 9, 1901 in Butler Township. The retired B&O railroad worker married Elva M. Shirk, surviving, on Jan. 14, 1921 in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Also surviving are two daughters; Mrs. Ralph Shumway and Mrs. James Sobieski of Garrett; a sister; Mrs. Shirley Davidson, Route 1, Garrett; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Engineers and of the First Baptist Church.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Garrett. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Tuesday and at the church after noon on Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church.

Mary Griffin

Mary R. Griffin, 67, 1306 S. Jackson, died Saturday at 5:20 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill about a year.

Mrs. Griffin was born October 2, 1911 in Virginia, but had lived in Auburn for the last 20 years. She was married to Paul Griffin, who died April 25.

She is survived by two sons, Ted Yeary, Atlanta and Charles Johnson, Garrett and a daughter, Mrs. Eula Mansfield, Route 1, Butler.

A brother, Tillman Collins, Dundee, Mich. and three sisters, Mrs. Viney Bell, Auburn: Little Williams, Sneadsville, Tenn.; and Nancy Sexton, Jonesville, Va., also survive.

She has 11 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Bible Baptist Church, where she was a member. Rev. Wayne Smith will officiate. Calling is at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

Worth Wareham

WATERLOO — Worth (Jody) Wareham, 83, died at 8:30 a.m. Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was a life-long resident of Waterloo and lived on North Wayne Street before entering Betz Nursing Home.

Mr. Wareham was born April 10, 1895 to Edward and Edith (Brown) Wareham. He married Nema Lower on Dec. 13, 1935 at Bryan, Ohio. She preceded him in death in 1969. He was also preceded in death by two brothers. Survivors include several nieces.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral home. Rev. Max Smith of the United Methodist Church in Waterloo will officiate. Burial is in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today.

Simon Hendricks

Simon S. Hendricks, 84, 227 S. Division St., a veteran of both World War I and II and retired army captain, died Sunday at 5:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Hendricks had been a patient at the hospital four days and in failing health for three years. He was a resident of Auburn for the past 13 years.

He was a retired postal clerk, a member of the Masons, the Scottish Rite, the Eastern Star and an elder emeritus at the First Christian Church.

He was born April 6, 1894 to Emanuel and Sarah (Weneland) Hendricks in St. Joe and married Elizabeth McBride in 1923. She died in 1967.

Surviving are four children, Robert, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Jane Proksa, Auburn, Mrs. Suzan Zeisloft, Waterloo and Mrs. Carol Carpenter, rural Spencerville.

He has 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at the First Christian Church. Rev. Clarence Bangs will officiate.

Masonic Services will be held Tuesday evening. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery with elders of the First Christian Church serving as pallbearers. Preferred memorials are to that church.

Marcia Maier

HAMILTON — Marcia I. Maier, 83, Route 1, Hamilton, died Saturday in the Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Born Dec. 23, 1894 she was the daughter of Albert and Mary (Baker) Bell. She was married Nov. 18, 1915 in Angola, to Henry Maier. He survives.

Mrs. Maier was a lifetime resident of the Hamilton area.

Survivors besides the husband are one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Mabel) Rohrbaugh, Hamilton; one son, Earl Maier, Marvel Lake, Brooklyn, Mich.; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harold (Leota) Maier, Edon, Ohio; eight grandchidren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Maier was preceded in death by one son, Harold Maier, in 1976.

Funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Wayne Davis officiating.

Burial will be in Edon Cemetery, Edon, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 2 p.m.

Stella Hile

GARRETT — Stella S. Hile, 76, died Sunday at 4:15 p.m. at Garrett Community Hospital. She lived at 1341 S. Randolph St.

She was born on May 21, 1902 in Burr Oak, Ind. On March 17, 1921 in Albion, she married Chandos A. Hile, surviving.

Also surviving are two sons; Dallas, Inverness, Fla., and Eldon, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Betty Brown, Fort Wayne; three brothers; Orville Strouse, Kimmel, Ind., Russell Strouse, Fort Wayne and Floyd Strouse, Decatur; one sister; Mrs. Velma Brumbaugh, rural Columbia City; 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Hile was a member of the First Baptist Church in Garrett.

Her funeral will be 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at McKee Funeral Home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

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Vernie Esselburn

GARRETT — Vernie H. Esselburn, 70, 301 Covell St., died 8:15 p.m. Monday at his home. He was a retired truck driver.

Mr. Esselburn was a member of the Elks, Eagles and Moose lodges and a member of the Legion of Moose.

He was born February 7, 1908 to Willis and Mabel Esselburn of rural Auburn. He married Elzena Miller in 1931. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Wilford and Donald Elliott, both of Garrett, and a daughter, Mrs. Lamarr Kressely, Hudson.

He has six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. The Rev. Ron Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Cedar Chapel Cemetery. Calling is after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Calling today

Calling is after 3 p.m. today at the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home for Simon Hendricks, 84, 227 S. Division, who died Sunday.

Mr. Hendricks was a retired postal clerk and army captain. He was a veteran of both World War I and II.

Services for Mr. Hendricks will be 11 a.m. Wednesday in the First Christian Church.

Viola Ruth Johnson

Viola Ruth Johnson, 79, 1326 S. Jackson St., Auburn, died at 8:20 a.m. today in Meadow Haven Nursing Home at Butler.

Mrs. Johnson was the wife of the late Roscoe Johnson. They were married Sept. 17, 1921.

She is survived by three grandchildren.

Bale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, which were not decided at press time.

Correction

The surviving children of the deceased Vernie Esselburn were incorrectly identified in Tuesday's Evening Star. The one son is Wilford Esselburn of Garrett and the two sisters are Mrs. Donald Elliott, Garrett, and Mrs. Lamarr Kressely, Hudson.

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Viola Ruth Johnson

Services for Viola Ruth Johnson will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Clarence Bangs, pastor of First Christian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Mrs. Johnson, 79, died Wednesday at 8:20 a.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler. She was a lifelong resident of Auburn before moving to the nursing home. Her Auburn address was 1326 S. Jackson St. She was born in Auburn on May 2, 1899.

Mrs. Johnson was the wife of the late Roscoe Johnson. She was a housewife, and was a member of the First Christian Church and the Moose lodge.

Survivors include three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Carol Krueger

Carol Krueger, 70, 1005 Midway Drive, Auburn, died unexpectedly Thursday evening. She was stricken while walking on North Main Street.

Mrs. Krueger was a lifelong resident of Auburn, where she was born Dec. 15, 1907 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Evan Kutzner.

She was the wife of Arthur Krueger, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Nancy Foster of Medina, Ohio, and Joyce Mansell of Tampa, Fla., and six grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Christian Church, P.E.O. and Tri-Kappa.

Funeral arrangements were not decided at press time. Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in charge.

Calvin Pickard

NEW CARLISLE, Ind. — Calvin E. Pickard, 52, died Thursday in a truck accident. The resident of New Carlisle was born on Oct. 27, 1925 in DeKalb County to Frank C. and Onda Pickard.

On June 8, 1968, he married Lynne Johnson, surviving, in LaPorte. Also surviving are one son, James, and two daughters, Susan and Lori, all of Redondo, Calif.; one brother, Frank P., Corunna; and one sister, Mrs. Harry (Pauline) Cogan, Cedar, Mich.

Mr. Pickard was a member of the Faith Baptist Church in LaPorte. His funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Friday.

Rebecca Hodge

Rebecca Hodge, 78, 129 Madison St., Auburn, died Thursday at 9:30 p.m. at her son's home in Waterloo.

Mrs. Hodge was the wife of Robert P. Hodge, who survives. They were married in Michigan in 1927. She was a housewife and a native of Michigan. She lived in Auburn the past 25 years. She was born July 19, 1899 to the late Ellen (Cadden) and Hugo Pankratz.

Surviving in addition to her husband are her son, Robert H. Hodge, 750 W. Walnut St., Waterloo, and four grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Monday at 10 a.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mott Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Ruth Hamman

FORT WAYNE — Ruth Hamman, 55, died Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital. She was the wife of Cleo Hamman, a former Auburn resident.

Mrs. Hamman lived at 1721 Poinsette Drive, Fort Wayne. She was an employee of J.C. Penney Company's Glenbrook Store.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, William R., two sisters and a brother.

Her funeral was at 10 a.m. today in Queen of Angels Catholic Church.

The Evening Star, Sat., June 24, 1978

Carol Krueger

Carol E. Krueger, 70, of 1005 Midway Dr., Auburn, died suddenly at 2:15 a.m. Friday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

A lifetime Auburn resident, Mrs. Krueger was born Dec. 15, 1907, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Even Kutzner. She married Arthur Krueger, who survives, on May 29, 1929. She has lived for the past 26 years at the current address.

Mrs. Krueger was an organist for and member of the First Christian Church, Auburn, for many years. She also belonged to the Hospital Guild, Literary Club, Eastern Star, Associate Tri-Kappa, Christian Church Circle and the P.E.O.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two daughters, Mrs. Nancy Foster, of Medina, Ohio, and Mrs. Joyce Mansell, of Florida, and six grandchildren.

Services will be held at the First Christian Church Monday at 2 p.m., with Reverend Clarence Bangs, pastor of the church, presiding. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemertery.

Friends may call at the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Sunday, and after Monday after 9:30 a.m. at the church.

An Eastern Star service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the First Christian Church.

Jefferson Jetmore

UNION CITY, Mich. — Jefferson V. Jetmore, 80, died early Saturday morning at the home of his daughter. He was the father of two area men and a Noble County native.

Mr. Jetmore lived at 611 Thomas St., Union City. He moved to Branch County, Mich. in 1939. He was employed first as a farmer and then by Gamble-Skogmo before retiring in 1967.

He was born Dec. 3, 1897 in Noble County, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha; three sons, Herman E. of Ashley; Harold L. of Pleasant Lake; and Raymond J. of Syracuse, Ind.; three daughters, Mrs. Albert J. (Dorothy) Keyes, Avon Park, Fla.; Mrs. William (Ardella) Leavitt, Prescott, Ark.; and Mrs. Wilma Macklin, Coldwater, Mich.; one stepson, 20 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. (EDT) in Union City Wesleyan United Methodist Church, where he was a member. Rev. Keith R. Haworth and Rev. Louis W. Ames will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery at Union City.

Friends may call at Jenkins Funeral Home until noon Tuesday.

Worthy Hughes

GARRETT — Worthy E. Hughes, 88, died of complications at 7 a.m. today in Betz Nursing Home, where he lived since February, 1978. He was the retired owner of Hughes' Drugstore in Garrett, where he lived most of his life.

He was born on July 8, 1889 in Steuben County, to William A. and Nettie Hughes. On June 15, 1910, in Traverse City, Mich., he married Eva M. Smith, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by a son; Robert N., Auburn. Mr. Hughes was a member of the Masons, Scottish Rite and a charter member of the Garrett Elks.

His funeral will be at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Allen T. Reed of Garrett Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Edith Sailer

ST. JOE — Edith Sailer, 80, St. Joe, died Sunday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient for about three weeks.

Mrs. Sailer was born Feb. 23, 1898 in Fort Wayne to John and Mary Keller. She was married to Zay Sailer, who survives.

Also surviving is one sister, Ilene Herrmann, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Sailer was a member of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe. Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home. Rev. Wilbur Miller of St. Mark's will officiate. Calling is at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

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Clarence Meek

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Clarence (Sam) Meek, 58, of Route 1, St. Joe, died today at 3:45 a.m. at the Hicksville Community Hospital. He had been ill for several months.

Born Jan. 27, 1920 in Newville Township, DeKalb County, Mr. Meeks was the son of Sherman T. and Clara (Reed) Meek.

He was married to Dorothy Haver, who survives, on Nov. 21, 1943 in Hicksville.

Mr. Meeks had a number of occupations. A Hicksville farmer, he has also worked at the Auburn Foundry. He was employed by National Ideal, in Hicksville, and owned the Java Shoppe in Hicksville for the past eight years.

He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one son, Michael, of St. Joe; a daughter, Shari; two brothers, Horace, of Hicksville and John, of Marshall, Mich. and one sister, Mrs. Luella Hensley, of Leondist, Mich.

Services will be held at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, at 2 p.m. Thursday. Rev. George Campbell, pastor of the Grace United Methodist Church, will preside. Burial will follow in the Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Friends may call after noon Wednesday and after 9 a.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Weds., June 28, 1978

Leonard Halgren

CHESTERTON — Leonard Halgren, 78, husband of former Auburn resident Helen M. Deck, died Monday at 7:15 p.m. at the Porter Memorial Hospital in Valparaiso. He had been residing at 333 Michigan St., Porter.

Mr. Halgren was preceded in death by his wife on June 5, 1978. They were married July 10, 1936, in LaPorte.

Born Feb. 1900 in Veedersburg, Mr. Halgren was a retired first class machinist for U.S. Steel in Gary.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. James (Sharon) Cunningham, of Chesterton; a stepson, Ora Mottinger Jr., of Porter; one brother; one sister; five grandchildren and and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the White Funeral Home, Chesterton, with Rev. Charlie Tharp, Westchester Baptist Church, presiding. Burial will be at the Chesterton Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday.

Weir Ferris

Weir C. Ferris, 68, 817 N. Van Buren St., Auburn, died at 2 a.m. this morning at Parkview Memorial Hospital where he had been admitted 12 hours before.

Mr. Ferris was born Dec. 28, 1909 to Dea and Naomi (Van Pelt) Ferris. He was a retired barber and had lived in Auburn for 43 years. He was a member of the Moose Lodge and the First Christian Church.

He was married to Georgia Nickols April 30, 1931. She is living. One child, Bonnie Richmond, is deceased.

Surviving is a brother, Doyne, Fort Wayne and a sister, Opal Smolinske, Kendallville.

He has four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday in the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery. Calling at the funeral home is after 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

David Miller

LIGONIER — David C. Miller, 67, Lincolnway West, Ligonier, died at 6 a.m. Wednesday at his residence from an apparent coronary. He had been ill several months.

Born Sept. 2, 1911 in Deshler, Ohio, he was the son of Carl and Mae (Wallen) Miller. He married Clyttie Walton March 8, 1957 in Angola. She survives.

Mr. Miller had been a Ligonier resident the past 20 years coming from Fort Wayne. He was a retired truck driver and Veteran of World War II.

Survivors besides the wife are one stepdaughter, Mrs. Alfred (Donna Jean) Bailey, Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Gladys MacDonald, Leipsic, Ohio; Mrs. Vivian Cearbaugh, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Betty Shroder, Columbia City; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Friday at 3 p.m. in the Ulrey Funeral Home, Ligonier, with Rev. William Luttrull officiating.

Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmell.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

Ida M. Ruchel

DAYTON, Ohio — Ida M. Ruchel, 95, a resident of the Auburn area for more than 70 years, died at 8:30 Wednesday morning at the Friendly Nursing Home in Miamisburg, Ohio. She had moved to the Dayton area about 15 years ago to live with her son.

Mrs. Ruchel was born Nov. 7, 1882 to Franklin and Sophia (Garver) Grogg in DeKalb County. She has several nieces and nephews living in this area.

She was a retired practical nurse and a former member of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn.

She is survived by a son, Richard, Dayton, and a grandson David, Dayton. She has two great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Ruchel will be 10 a.m. Saturday in the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. George Schuette of St. Mark's Lutheran Church will officiate.

Calling at the funeral home is prior to the service beginning at 9 a.m. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Milda Sines

BUTLER — Milda B. Sines, 87, died Thursday at 6 a.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home in Butler, where she lived for five years.

She was born in DeKalb County on Sept. 20, 1890 to Charles and Ida Lehmbeck. Her husband, Sam, preceded her in death.

She is survived bya daughter, Bertha Albertson, Waterloo, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Sines was a member of the Avilla United Methodist Church. Her funeral will be at Butler's Johnson Funeral Home on Saturday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Ross Richey of the Butler United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Avilla Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., June 30, 1978

Dale Blythe

Mrs. Amos (Dale) Blythe, 69, died Thursday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Mrs. Blythe was a former resident of Auburn before moving to Robinson, Ill.

She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Joyce Wagner, Auburn. A son preceded her in death. Survivors also include 13 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Service arrangements in Robinson, Ill. are incomplete.

Ivelbiss Gooding, Idaho; three grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was a member of the Athena Club and of the First Baptist Church in Garrett.

Her funeral will be in the First Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Sunday. Rev. Rich L. Watt, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Visitation services at the church will be after 1 p.m. Saturday and after 12:30 p.m. Sunday. Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Saturday.

Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church Memorial Fund.

The Evening Star, Sat., July 1, 1978

Donald Fox

ANGOLA — Donald C. Fox, 58, Route 3, Angola, died Friday afternoon in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Fox was a four-year resident of the area. He was employed as secretary and controller of Shambaugh & Sons, Inc. He was born Sept. 26, 1919 in Fort Wayne to the late Robert M. and Mary (Tonsing) Fox.

He is survived by his wife, the former Kathleen Butler; one daughter, Mrs. Jack Thomas, Auburn; one son, John, at home; two sisters, Francis Willette, Cincinnati, Ohio and Ann Clare, Milwaukee, Wis.; and three brothers, Robert, Fort Wayne; Gerald, Lancaster, Pa. and Raymond, Angola.

Mr. Fox was a World War II veteran and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and the Moose Lodge.

His funeral will be Monday at 9:30 a.m. in St. Anthony Catholic Church. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at Weicht Funeral Home from 7-9 tonight and 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. A Moose service will be held at 7:30 tonight, with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

H. Brown, Jr.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Harl Brown, Jr., 58, a Garrett native, died Thursday in Spokane Veterans Hospital.

Mr. Brown lived in Sand Point, Idaho. He was a Navy veteran. He was born in Garrett Sept. 21, 1919 to the late Harl D. and Nellie Brown, and lived in Garrett for 18 years.

He is survived by three daughters and one son, two brothers, Eugene of Stroh, Ind. and C.D. Brown of Sand Point, Idaho; three sisters, Mrs. Charles (Mary) Refner of Auburn, and Mrs. Edith Trusso and Ivadell Wills, both of Los Angeles; and three grandchildren.

His funeral will be today in Sand Point, Idaho.

The Evening Star, Mon., July 3, 1978

Gratia Fluke

Gratia I. Fluke, 79, Route 1, Big Long Lake, Hudson, died Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been seriously ill 10 days from a heart condition.

Born in South Milford, Nov. 7, 1898 she was the daughter of George Washington and Lettie (Stroman) Walter. She married George C. Fluke May 5, 1920 in Kalamazoo, Mich. He preceded her in death June 28, 1972.

Mrs. Fluke had lived in Hudson since 1948 moving from Route 3, Auburn. She was a member of the South Milford Church of Christ.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Mary Best, Route 3, Auburn; and Mrs. Sarah Betts, Route 1, Wolcottville; two sons, Philip Fluke, Virginia Beach, Va.; and Elton Fluke, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Doris Bishop, Springfield, Ohio; one brother, Russell Walter, The Lamplighter, Kendallville; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A daughter, Doris, one brother and one sister preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

O. Florence Wright

O. Florence Wright, 79, Tucson, Ariz., died Saturday at 10:06 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She became ill while visiting in Auburn the past eight weeks. She had been in failing health since February.

Mrs. Wright was born Nov. 29, 1898 in Summittville, Ind. She was a housewife, and made her home at 3915 N. Campbell in Tucson. She was a member of Catalina United Methodist Church and was a member and past Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star.

Her survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Helen Berg, Route 3, Auburn and Mrs. Marcia Bush, Williamsburg, Va.; one son, John Allen, Coldwater, Mich.; a brother, Raymond R. Peel, Midland, Mich.; a sister, Mrs. Edna McCormick, Battle Creek, Mich.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at 1:30 p.m. today in Riverside Cemetery, Gas City, Ind. Bale Funeral Home of Auburn was in charge of arrangements.

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The Evening Star, Weds., July 5, 1978

Jennie Stillings

HUDSON — Jennie Irene Stillings, 86, Hudson, died Tuesday at 6:20 a.m. in Cameron Hospital, Angola, where she had been hospitalized the past six days.

She was born Feb. 23, 1892 in Johnston, Pa. She married Ray Stillings who preceded her in death in 1960.

Mrs. Stillings had been a resident of Hudson the past year.

Survivors are, one stepdaughter Mrs. Gordon (Twila) Mitchell, Greenville, Pa.; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. John B. Tressler, Hudson; two stepsons, Paul Stillings and Hollis Stillings, both of Greenville, Pa.; two grandchildren, Mrs. Michael (Joyce) Buche, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Joseph (Wendy) Albright, rural Hudson; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Breakney Funeral Home, Fredonia, Pa.

Burial will be in Millbank Cemetery, Fredonia, Pa.

Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, was in charge of local arrangements.

Enid L. Smith

ASHLEY — Enid L. Smith, 71, 408 W. State St., Ashley, was dead on arrival at Cameron Hospital, Angola, Tuesday at 10:10 p.m.

Born in Ashley, June 23, 1907 she was the daughter of Horace and Myrtle (Shatto) Montgomery. She married Francis Smith June 30, 1962 in Angola. He survives.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and had resided at her present address the past 16 years. She was a member of the Mothers' Club and Friendship Club.

Survivors besides the husband are four daughters, Mrs. Robert (June) Deller and Mrs. Wilford (Carol) Miller, both of Ashley; Mrs. Omar (Laura Lee) Baum, rural Ashley; Mrs. William (Jeanette) Bush, Pleasant Lake; a stepdaughter, Mary Fones, Murray, Ky.; one stepson, Verl Smith, Lakeside, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Walter (Lois) Parker, South Bend; two brothers, Rolland Montgomery and Gerald Montgomery, both of Ashley; 29 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, with Vern Noll officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Harold L. Harnish

BRONSON, Mo. — Harold L. Harnish, 63, an Auburn native, died last Friday, July 1 at 10 p.m. in Bronson, Mo.

He was born to William and Grace A. (Walters) Harnish in Auburn on July 2, 1914. He once lived in rural Hamilton and was a retired factory worker in Garrett.

On Oct. 19, 1938, he married Mildred Abel, who survives him. Also surviving him are his father, William, rural Auburn; four sons; William and James, both of Hamilton; Harold, Fayetteville, Ark., and Edward, Follausbee, W. Va.; one daughter, Mrs. Shirley Greenfield, Auburn; nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Masonic Lodge services were held Tuesday for Mr. Harnish. His funeral was held at 2 p.m. today in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, with Rev. Carl Greek of the Nazarene Church officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Hooverson Heights Church of Christ in Follausbee, W. Va.

Edith A. Dunn

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Edith A. Dunn, 86, died last Saturday, July 2 at Community Hospital in Indianapolis. She had lived at 107 E. Fifteenth St. in Auburn.

She was born on May 16, 1892 in Indiana to Daniel and Mohalta (Stevens) Miller, both deceased.

Mrs. Dunn is survived by a son, William R. Jones, Indianapolis; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was at 10 a.m. today in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, with Rev. Carl Wirey of Auburn United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery

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The Evening Star, Thurs., July 6, 1978

Howard L. Hart

FORT WAYNE — Howard L. Hart, 40, died Wednesday of a crippling disease at the Fort Wayne Health Center, where he was a 15-year resident.

He was born on June 1, 1938 in Hudson, Ind. to Verl and Virginia L. (Berd) Hart, both surviving, who live at 1315 St. Mary's Ave., Fort Wayne. Also surviving are three sisters; Mrs. Eilene Candill, Mrs. Richard (Ganice) Ridenour and Mr. Everett (Carol) McLaughlin, all of Fort Wayne, and a brother; Wayne Hart, Superior, Wis.

His funeral will be at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home at 10 a.m. Saturday. Rev. Carl Wirey of the Auburn United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Friday.

Edith A. Gunn

Edith A. Gunn, 86, a lifetime Auburn resident, died Sunday at Community Hospital in Indianapolis. She had moved from Auburn to Indianapolis two weeks ago. Before moving she lived at 107 E. Fifteenth St., Auburn.

Mrs. Gunn was born May 16, 1892. Her parents were the late Dantel and Mahalia (Stevens) Miller. She was preceded in death by two sons, Ralph William Jones, Auburn, who died in 1965, and Benjamin C. Jones, Ansonia, Ohio, who died in 1975.

Surviving are seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was held Wednesday morning in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Her death was erroneously reported under the name of Edith Dunn in Wednesday's edition.

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The Evening Star, Fri., July 7, 1978

Homer Neff

WATERLOO — Homer Charles Neff, 74, a former Waterloo resident, died Wednesday morning at Manatee Memorial Hospital in Bradenton, Fla. He was a resident of Bradenton.

Mr. Neff had been employed as a salesman for Strouss Appliance Co. when he lived in Warren, Ohio, before moving to Bradenton. He was born in Bristol, Ind. on Sept. 22, 1903.

Survivors include his wife, the former Doris H. Beck; two children, Elliot Neff, Long Beach, Cal. and Mrs. Vernon (Sally) Petschel, Warren, Ohio; two brothers, Henry and Lester, both of Elkhart; and two sisters, Mrs. R.D. Bertch, Bristol; and Mrs. C.J. Brant, Goshen.

He was a member of the Waterloo Masonic Lodge and Bay Shore Covenant Church in Bradenton.

Graveside services for Mr. Neff will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home from 6-7 p.m. Sunday. Memorials to the Bay Shore Covenant Church or to a favorite charity are preferred.

The Evening Star, Sat., July 8, 1978

Services held

Services were held for Mrs. Enid Smith Friday at 2 p.m. in the Swan-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, with Vern Noll officiating.

Burial was in Circle Cemetery near Hudson.

Pallbearers were all grandsons and included Jim and Harold Bush, Bryan and Edward Miller and Tom and William Deller.

Millison Voorhees

GARRETT — Millison R. Voorhees, 75, a lifetime Garrett resident, died Saturday at 9:26 p.m. in Bradner Village Retirement Center, Marion, Ind. He had been in failing health for 10 years.

Mr. Voorhees had moved to the retirement center on May 1. Before that, he lived at 319 S. Walsh St. in Garrett. He retired in 1967 from his job as a brakeman on the B&O Railroad, and was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

He was born in Garrett on August 10, 1902 to the late Dwight and Grace Voorhees. He married Dorothy Woodyard on Aug. 29, 1921 in Niles, Mich. His wife survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Miriam Wisner and Mrs. James (Eileen) Cruson, both of Marion; a brother, Russell, Rochester, Ind.; a sister, Mrs. Susan Minear, Fort Wayne; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Richard Watt, pastor of Garrett First Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Memorials to the First Baptist Church are preferred.

David McIntyre

INDIANAPOLIS — David C. McIntyre, 18, an Auburn native, died Tuesday, July 4 in an auto crash in Indianapolis.

He is survived by his parents, Dr. William McIntyre and Mary Alice McIntyre. Dr. McIntyre was Better Farming and Better Living Agent for DeKalb County from 1958-60.

The deceased young man resided in New Castle and was a graduate of Lawrence Central High School. He was an honor pre-med student at Ball State.

The Evening Star, Tues., July 11, 1978

Mary McNutt

Mary S. McNutt, 80, 317½ W. First St., Auburn, died Monday at 9:15 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill four years and a patient at the hospital three days.

Mrs. McNutt was born in DeKalb County Aug. 11, 1897, the daughter of Andrew and Cora (Huffman) Sponhower. She lived in DeKalb County all her life, the last seven years at the First Street address.

Surviving are three sons, George, Auburn, William, Garrett, and Carl D., Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Vada) Starr, Plymouth, Mich., and Mrs. Lee (Rose) Deventer, Auburn; two sister, Mrs. Albert Musser and Mrs. Grace Baker, both of Auburn; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. McNutt was a member of the Auburn Nazarene Church where funeral services will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m., the Rev. Carl Greek officiating.

Burial will be in the White City Cemetery, Spencerville. Friends may call at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Gary Iden

KIMMELL — Gary E. Iden, 85, Route 1, Kimmell, died Monday at 2:50 a.m. in Goshen General Hospital, following an illness of four days.

Born July 6, 1893 in Noble County, he was the son of Townsend and Izora (Deardorff) Iden. He married Sylvia Hull Nov. 6, 1920. She survives.

Mr. Iden had been a resident of the Cromwell community his entire lifetime. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors besides the wife are two sons, DeLoss Iden, Fort Wayne, and Junior Iden, Kimmell; two sisters, Mrs. Zona Banta, Elkhart, and Mrs.

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Rose Harmon

HAMILTON — Rose C. Harmon, 78, Route 1, Hamilton, died Monday at 9:35 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born April 27, 1900 in Indiana, she was the daughter of John and Lidia (Robinson) Stoy. She married Walter Harmon who preceded her in death in 1955.

Mrs. Harmon was a homemaker and a member of the Waterloo Eastern Star.

Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Ella Elliott, Toledo, Ohio; and Mrs. Nellie Foote, Albion; and many nieces.

A daughter, Olive, preceded her in death.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel (formerly Swift Funeral Home), Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibbs officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 4 p.m.

Shirley Goings

Shirley Ann Goings, 44, 1415 S. Van Buren St., Auburn, died this morning at 2:30 in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a two-year illness. She was dead on arrival at the hospital.

Mrs. Goings was born June 6, 1934 in Garrett to Henry Koble and Clara Keuhner.

She is survived by a son, Donald, 339 Lincoln Ave., Auburn, a daughter, Beatrice Sprague, California, and six children at home, Patricia, Debra, Tina, Tammy, Richard and Jeff.

A brother, Robert Koble, Garrett and a sister, Constance Freeman, Garrett also survive.

She has four grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery, Garrett. Calling at the funeral home is after 4 p.m. Wednesday.

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Esther Bowman

BUTLER — Esther Mary Bowman, 95, Butler, died at 9 p.m. Monday in Meadowhaven Nursing Home where she had been a resident since 1973.

Mrs. Bowman was born April 14, 1883 in Keswick, Iowa to Daniel and Emma Baker. She married Frank R. Bowman June 16, 1901 in the St. Joe Lutheran Church. He died in 1971.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Eloise Chapman, Lake Side, Calif., and one grandchild.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Ross Rickey, Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Calling at the funeral home is after 7 p.m. today. Burial will be in the Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

No Obituary on Thurs., July 13, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri, July 14, 1978

Harry Mortorss

HAMILTON — Harry F. Mortorss, 74, Route 1, Hamilton, died Tuesday evening in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born Nov. 26, 1903 in Steuben County, he was the son of James and Emma (Crain) Mortorss. He married Elta Betz Dec. 5, 1923 in Franklin Township. She survives.

Mr. Mortorss was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge 51, Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorrasan, Fort Wayne, Hamilton Grange, Lively Cricket Club, and the Pythian Sisters Lodge 51.

Survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Leora) Johnson, Hamilton; two sons, Lyle Mortorss, Hamilton; and Lynn Mortorss, Pleasant Lake; eight grandchildren, one stepgrandchild, one great-grandchild and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibbs officating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 4 p.m.

Knights of Pythias, Hamilton, and Hamilton Grange services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday night.

Herman Walberry

HAMILTON — Herman Walberry, 72, Hamilton, died Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born Oct. 24, 1905 in Indiana, he was the son of Perry O. and Jenny (Jackman) Walberry. He married Ruth Briner, who survives, June 10, 1951 in Angola.

Mr. Walberry was a lifetime resident of Hamilton and owner of Walberry Well Drilling and Plumbing for 45 years. He was employed by Swift Funeral Home. He was a member of the United Methodist Church and served on its board of trustees, and the Knights of Pythias.

Survivors besides the wife are one son, Larry E. Walberry, Huntington; and four grandchildren.

Funeral was today at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibbs officiating.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Montpelier, Ohio.

Harriette Lochner

Harriette Marie Lochner, 83, Route 2, Auburn, died Thursday at 1 a.m. in her home. She had been ill for one month.

Born on Dec. 12, 1894, Mrs. Lochner was a retired housewife. She was the daughter of Charles and Charlotte (Houston) Bartles. She married Jay J. Lochner on Aug. 1, 1913 in Hillsdale, Mich. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Robert, Route 1, Bryan, Ohio; Jack A., of Tacoma, Wash.; and Richard, 315 E. Seventh St., Auburn; two daughters, Charlotte Aubrey, Logansport; and Phyllis Roop, Green Valley, Ariz.; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. One son, Don, preceded her in death.

Services for Mrs. Lochner will be held at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home on Monday at 1 p.m. Rev. Carl Wirey, retired United Methodist minister, will officiate. Burial will be at Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Ralph Rowley

Ralph Rowley, 83, 602 W. Twentieth St., Auburn, died Thursday at 8:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital of heart failure.

Funeral arrangements are not complete. Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in charge.

The Evening Star, Sat, July 15, 1978

Harry Mortorff

HAMILTON — Harry F. Mortorff, 74, Route 1, Hamilton, died Tuesday evening in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born Nov. 26, 1903 in Steuben County, he was the son of James and Emma (Crain) Mortorff. He married Elta Betz on Dec. 5, 1923 in Franklin Township. She survives.

Mr. Mortorff was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge 51; Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorrasan, Fort Wayne; Hamilton Grange; Lively Cricket Club and the Pythian Sisters Lodge 51.

Survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Leora) Johnson, Hamilton; two sons, Lyle Mortorff, Hamilton and Lynn Mortorff, Pleasant Lake; eight grandchildren; one step-grandchild; one great-grandchild and two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funural Home Chapel, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibbs officiating. Burial will be at Hamilton Cemertery.

Friends may call at the funeral Home today after 4 p.m.

Knights of Pythias and Hamilton Grange services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Ralph Rowley

Ralph Rowley, 83, Auburn, died at 8:15 p.m. Thursday, in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been hospitalized one day.

He was born May 30, 1895 in DeKalb County, son of Mrs. and Mrs. James Rowley. He was a retired employee of Warner Gear and lived at 602 W. Twentieth St., Auburn. He was married to Hazel Nugen, who preceded him in death.

Survivors include three daughters: Jean Cole, Oxnard, Cal.; Ellen Rowley, Long Beach, Cal.; Mrs. Robert (Mary Jane) Phillip, Orlando, Fla.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Mabel Sheets, of Fort Wayne.

Rosary services will be held at the funeral home Monday at 7:30.

His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Immaculate Conception Church. Msgr. Leo Hoffman will officiate. Friends may call at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Monday. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Calling hours listed for Harriette Lochner

Friends may call at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Sunday to pay respects to Harriette Marie Lochner, 83, Auburn, who died Thursday.

Hours of calling were omitted from Friday's death notice. The Evening Star regrets the error.

The Evening Star, Mon, July 17, 1978

Avah Krum

WATERLOO — Avah Blanch Krum, 77, 540 S. Washington, Waterloo, died Sunday at 8:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born March 25, 1901 she was the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Smith) Freed. She married Howard M. Krum June 10, 1921. He survives.

Mrs. Krum was a lifetime resident of DeKalb County.

Survivors besides the husband are four daughters, Mrs. Harry (June) Holmes, Corunna; Mrs. Carl (Betty) McKeever, rural Kendallville; Mrs. Dale (Theda) Neukom, Garrett; and Mrs. John (Roma) Ludwig, rural South Bend; four sisters, Mrs. Russell (Mary) Hartman and Mrs. Herbert (Pearl) Mannon, both of Auburn; Mrs. Leslie (Esther) Leins, Waterloo; and Mrs. Clarence (Dalia) Schmuck, Kendallville; four brothers, Clarence Freed and Elmer Freed, both of Waterloo; and Joseph Freed and Robert Freed, both of Kendallville; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson.

Burial will be in Fairfield Township Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials may be made to the National Cancer Research Foundation, Bethesda, Md.

Harry A. Mann

WATERLOO — Harry Albert Mann, 62, died in his home at 8 a.m. today after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. Mann lived at 715 N. Wayne St. in Waterloo. He moved there three years ago after a lifetime of farming in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County.

He is survived by his mother, Bertha Ordway Mann, 715 N. Wayne St., Waterloo, and a sister, Mrs. Mabel David, Butler. He was preceded in death by his father, John Otis Mann, in 1958, and one brother, Paul, in 1970.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. Max Smith, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church, where Mr. Mann was a member. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues, July 18, 1978

Terra Harmon

Terra R. Harmon, nine-day-old daughter of Robert D. and Vickie L. (Miller) Harmon, 211½ S. Main St., Kendallville, died at 4:30 a.m. today in Parkview Memorial Hosital, Fort Wayne. She was born July 9.

Survivors besides the parents are the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harmon, Waterloo; the maternal grandparents, David A. Miller, Route 2, Kendallville, and Mrs. Doris Hall, Garrett; the paternal great-grandfather, James C. Harmon, Kendallville; and the maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Miller, Wolcottville.

Funeral will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the True Church of God in Jesus Name, Lisbon, with Rev. Leslie Click officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the church after noon Wednesday.

The Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Weds, July 19, 1978

Rose Haskins

LAGRANGE — Rose Delight Haskins, 83, mother of Jack Black of Garrett, died from a stroke Tuesday at 7:02 a.m. at the LaGrange County Hospital. She had been in failing health for five years.

Born April 27, 1895, in Rome City, Mrs. Haskins is a former Garrett resident and has recently been living at Route 2, Wolcottville. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. and Mary Underwood.

Mrs. Haskins was a housewife. She married Elmer Black in 1912, who preceded her in death in 1947. She remarried in 1953 to Fred Haskins, who died in 1975.

She was a member of the Eagles Auxilary, Kendallville, and the Ladies Auxilary of the United Transportation Union.

Surviving in addition to her son are a daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Mary) Ackerman and a niece, Mrs. Pauline Keever, both of Wolcottville, seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, officiated by Rev. Richard Watt of the First Baptist Church, Garrett. Burial will follow at the Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Calling for friends began today at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Thurs, July 20, 1978

Nellie May Krafft

BUTLER. — Nellie May Krafft, 73, died Wednesday at 9 p.m. in her home on Route 1, Butler.

Mrs. Krafft was the wife of Ray Krafft, who survives. They were married Oct. 6, 1921 in Branch County, Mich. She was a housewife.

She was born in Allen County on Jan. 8, 1905 to the late Henry and Eva (Wildson) Boger.

She is survived by three sons, Gerald and Dale, both of Auburn; and Wendell, St. Joe; and two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Baulk, Chicago; and Marlene McKinlay, Pioneer, Ohio; two brothers, Walter Boger, Butler and George Boger, Pipp City, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Mary Baker, Churubusco; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Wilmington Township Home Demonstration Club.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Phillip Lutz, pastor of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Fri, July 21, 1978

Faye Isenbarger

FORT WAYNE — Faye B. Isenbarger, 81, 2000 Hobson Road, Fort Wayne, died at 7:35 p.m. Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital.

She was married to Lee Isenbarger, who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Isenbarger retired 13 years ago from Pollock Brothers, a clothing manufacturer.

Surviving are four sons, Robert Isenbarger, Garrett; Lee Isenbarger, New Haven; three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Krock and Mrs. Jean Garmen, both of Avilla, and Mrs. Nancy Herring, Huntington; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Sarah Phlilips, McDermott, Ohio; and Mrs. Mame Gregory, St. Petersburg, Fla.; 25 grandchildren; and 37 great-grandchildren.

One son, Francis, and one daughter, Dorothy, preceded her in death.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the C. M. Sloan and Sons Funeral Home. Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today

Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Correction

BUTLER — The funeral location and two survivors of Nellie May Krafft, Route 1, Butler, were listed incorrectly in Thursday's Evening Star.

Mrs. Krafft, who died Wednesday, is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Banek, Chicago, and a brother, George Boger, Tipp City, Ohio.

Her funeral will be at the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, where she was a member, at 2 p.m. Saturday. Services will not be at the Johnson Funeral Home as previously stated, although calling at the funeral home began Thursday evening.

No Obituary on Sat., July 22, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., July 24, 1978

Berta M. McAlpin

ASHLEY — Berta M. McAlpin, 59, Route 1, Ashley, died Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for two years.

Mrs. McAlpin was a former school teacher at Pleasant Lake School for many years. She was the daughter of the late Bert and Mabel Wolf.

She was married on May 19, 1944 in Pleasant Lake to Paul McAlpin, who survives.

Also surviving are a foster daughter, Mrs. Jim (Carolyn) Denman, Spokane, Wash.; a foster brother, George Taylor, Lafayette; and three sisters, Ruth Harmon, Agnes Harman and Grace Ingledue, no addresses available.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church of Pleasant Lake, where she was member. Rev. Russell Brayton, her pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., July 25, 1978

Roy A. Mendenhall

Roy A. Mendenhall, 84, 317 E. Ninth St., Auburn, died Monday at 9 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for one year.

Mr. Mendenhall lived in Auburn for 50 years. He was a 14-year employee of Dailey Motors Sales before retiring. Prior to that, he and his son owned and operated M&M Service in Auburn.

He was born on Nov. 26, 1893 in Majencia, Ind. (near Huntington) to the late Samuel and Louise (Reese) Mendenhall.

He married Grace Slentz in Auburn on Nov. 30, 1914. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert, Auburn; a daughter, Mrs. Gerry (Laurene) DeHoff, Atlanta, Ga.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Eddys Cemetery, Hamilton.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to DeKalb Memorial Hospital or to the Auburn Presbyterian Church, where he was a member.

Marie Creager

FORT WAYNE — Marie Creager, 77, died today at 2:20 a.m. in the Golden Years Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where she had been a resident since August, 1971.

Born in Waterloo on Dec. 4, 1900, Mrs. Creager last lived at 712 S. Cowen St., Garrett. She lived in Garrett from 1917 to 1971. She was the daughter of William A. Topper and Susan Ricketts.

Mrs. Creager married Roy E. Creager in Auburn on Nov. 14, 1918. He preceded her in death March 17, 1956.

She was a member of the Ladies Auxilary of Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the First Church of Christ.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Madelaine Zumbaugh, 507 E. Quincy St., Garrett; three sons, Earl, 810 Woodview Dr., Wayne, 712 S. Cowen St., and Roy, Jr., 706 S. Cowen St., all of Garrett; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be held at the McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, with Larry E. Morrison, of the First Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Charles Ludban

GARRETT — Charles J. Ludban, 60, 910 S. Randolph St., Garrett, a World War II veteran and former conductor for the B&O Railroad, died Tuesday at 1:35 a.m. at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He had been ill approximately three years and a patient at the hospital for six days.

Mr. Ludban was born July 29, 1917, in Johnstown, Pa., the son of Charles M. and Josephine Ludban.

He was married in July of 1945 to Harriett Bohler, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Gary, Route 1, Wolcottville; one brother, Frank, Willard, Ohio; six sisters, Mrs. Niles Cradlebaugh, Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Anna Wiles, Reynoldsburg, Ohio; and Mrs. Dorothy Ballentine, Mrs. Virgil Daniels, Mrs. Richard Myers and Mrs. Patrick Mohl, all of Willard; and two grandchildren.

Another son, Glenn, was killed while serving in Viet Nam.

Mr. Ludban was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church, American Legion, VFW, Elks, Eagles, and UTU, all in Garrett.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church, Rev. Allen T. Reed and Rev. Charles Dickenson officiating. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted jointly by the American Legion and VFW.

Friends may call at the church Thursday from noon until the time of the service. The family requests memorials be given to the Garrett Community Hospital.

Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

Kenneth Cole

WILLIAMSPORT, Ind. — The funeral of Kenneth Cole, 58, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Williamsport Christian Church, in this west-central Indiana community where he began his education career.

Mr. Cole, who was Superintendent of DeKalb County Eastern Community Schools, died Sunday while vacationing in Canada. He had lived at 320 N. Broadway in Butler.

He suffered a heart attack at about 1 p.m. (Indiana time) Sunday, shortly after arriving at White Lake Provincial Park Campground near Marathon, Ontario. He was pronounced dead on arrival at a nearby hospital.

Mr. Cole was born July 12, 1920 in Parke County, Indiana to the late Claude and Abbie (Bartlett) Cole.

He graduated from Attica (Ind.) High School in 1938 and from Ball State Teachers College in 1942. He also holds degrees from Indiana State and Purdue University.

He served as a U.S. Naval officer in World War II.

Mr. Cole's education career as principal, teacher and coach at Williamsport from 1952-60. He then was principal at Culver, Ind. before becoming superintendent at DeKalb Eastern in 1966.

He was a member of Butler United Methodist Church, F&AM Lodge 38 in Williamsport, the Butler Rotary Club and Phi Delta Kappa fraternity.

He is survived by his wife, Alice M., whom he married in 1942 in Pendleton, Ind.; a son, Dr. Stephen Cole, Butler; a daughter, Mrs. Sue Otterness, East Moline, Ill.; one granddaughter; three brothers, Manson, Lafayette; Maurice "Pete," Chicago Heights, Ill.; and Dorian, of Florida.

Douglas A. Dickey, pastor of Williamsport Christian Church, will officiate at Friday's services. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery at Williamsport, with military graveside services.

Friends may call at Fisher Funeral Home in Williamsport from 4-9 p.m. Thursday. Masonic rites will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Henry E. Eden

Henry E. Eden, 72, died Tuesday at 7:10 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. He previously lived at 111 North St. in Auburn.

Mr. Eden retired in 1969 from his position as a salesman for Ford Motor Company. He was born in Muncie on May 11, 1906 to the late William LeRoy and Alta (Koons) Eden. He married Kay Kawal on Feb. 19, 1938 in Lorain, Ohio. She preceded him in death on Feb. 17, 1973.

He is survived by one son, William. H., of Chicago.

Mr. Eden was a member of Auburn Presbyterian Church and the Auburn Elks lodge.

His funeral will be at 8 o'clock tonight in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Peter Pascoe will officiate. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 o'clock tonight.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday in Ridge Hill Memorial Park Cemetery, Lorain, Ohio.

Cyril M. Bechtol

VAN WERT, Ohio — Cyril M. Bechtol, 65, Van Wert, died last Friday in Van Wert County Hospital. He was the nephew of Mrs. Harry B. (Ruth) Hansell, Route 2, Auburn.

Mr. Bechtol was retired from Central Mutual Insurance, where he was in the advertising department for 34 years. He also was a 23-year member of the Van Wert City School Board of Education, serving 12 years as president.

Survivors include his wife, father and stepmother, a son and three grandchildren.

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Wallace Wasson

BUTLER — Wallace Russell Wasson, 61, 406 S. Broadway St., Butler, died Tuesday at 4:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for one day.

A mechanic for DeKalb Eastern School District, Mr. Wasson lived at his late address since 1962. He was born near St. Joe on July 5, 1917, the son of Wallace and Eva (Steele) Wasson.

Mr. Wasson was preceded in death by his wife, Garnet (Cook) Wasson in 1963. They were married in St. Joe on Dec. 24, 1941.

Surviving are two brothers, D.O. Wasson of Butler and Richard Wasson of St. Louis, Mo.; three sisters, Mrs. Pauline Greene of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Harriet Oberlin, Route 1, St. Joe and Mrs. Dorothy Baron of Coldwater, Mich.

Children surviving include five sons, James, Hicksville, Ohio; Jerry, Lincoln, Ill.; Gene, Sweetlake, La., Robert, Tucson, Ariz. and Donald and Gary of Edgerton, Ohio, and two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Cardenas, Sweetlake, La., and Juneva Wasson, who lived with her father. Seven grandchildren also survive.

Services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Indian Village Church of God, Auburn, with church pastor Rev. Carroll McNutt officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler after 7 o'clock tonight.

Arlene Wisel

HOWE — Arlene May Wisel, 60, Route 2, Howe, died at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday at her residence.

Born Feb. 23, 1918 in Pleasant Lake, she was the daughter of Claude and Delsie (Meeks) Phillips. She married George A. Wisel March 16, 1940. He survives.

Mrs. Wisel had lived at Route 2, Howe, the past six years. She had formerly lived in Salem Township, Steuben County, and the Ashley and Hudson area. She was a member of Ashley Chapter 229 Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors besides the husband are the parents who reside at rural, Pleasant Lake; three daughters, Mrs. Bethel (Agnes) Slone, Auburn; Mrs. David (Alice) Cook, Route 3, Howe; and Mrs. William (Georgetta) Berry, Spencerville; three sons, Ned Wisel, Garrett; George E. Wisel and Edward Wisel, both at home; one sister, Mrs. Harold (Joan) Mynhier, rural Pleasant Lake; two brothers, Burdette Phillips, rural Pleasant Lake; and Ned Phillips, Highland; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Carldean Merrifield of the Plato United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

There will be an Ashley Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star service Friday at 8 p.m.

Howard Truelove

Howard E. Truelove, 68, 102 Newnam Ave., Kendallville, died Wednesday at 7:55 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health approximately two months.

Born Jan. 14, 1910 in Noble County, he was the son of Albert and Mary Elizabeth (Growcock) Truelove. He married Sarah A. Schlotterback Jan. 18, 1930 in Albion. She survives.

Mr. Truelove retired from Safeguard in 1973. He was a member of Eagles Lodge 985, Royal Neighbors of America No. 6124 and the Second Time Around Club.

Survivors besides the wife are two daughters, Mrs. Richard (Mary) Mackin, New Haven; and Mrs. Billy (Emma) Rosenogle, Kendallville; two sons, Albert Truelove, Kendallville; and Allen Truelove, Columbia City; 13 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two nieces and two nephews.

Funeral will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Hite Funeral home, with Rev. Eugene Woolever officiating.

Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

George W. Karns

WATERLOO — George W. Karns, 82, Route 2, Waterloo, died about 2 p.m. Wednesday after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. Karns operated the Silver Moon Skating Rink for about 25 years. He was a World War I veteran, a member of the American Legion and a 50-year member of the Auburn Elks.

He was born Jan. 25, 1896 to David and Kathryn (Walmer) Karns and married Fern Kershner Dec. 8, 1919. His wife survives. Two brothers and two sisters preceded Mr. Karns in death.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Visiting hours at the funeral home are 2-4 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Lloyd B. Cochran

WILLOWS, Cal. — Lloyd B. Cochran, 83, died June 30 in Willows, Cal. He was an Auburn native who moved to California in 1936.

Mr. Cochran is survived by two daughters, Laura Mary Amaro and Juanita Piazza, 10 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Surviving in DeKalb County are three nieces, Treva Salyer, Esther Tuttle and Mary Ellen McDonald; and two nephews, Oston Roop and Joe Roop.

Mr. Cochran was preceded in death by his wife, Edith Guilford, in 1955.

No Obituary on Fri., July 28, 1978

The Evening Star, Sat., July 29, 1978

Raymond Johoski

Raymond W. Johoski, 60, 315 N. Oak St., died at 3:40 p.m. Friday in the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla. He had been ill four months.

Born Nov. 19, 1917 in Garrett, he was the son of Micheal and Nellie (Schenher) Johoski. He married Betty Easterday Becker Sept. 14, 1968, in Fort Wayne. She survives.

Mr. Johoski was a resident in Kendallville the past 10 years following his mover here from Garrett. He worked 15 years as a tool and die maker at Quality Tool and Die Co., Fort Wayne.

He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Elks Lodge in Kendallville.

Two sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

Mass service will be held in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church on Monday at 10 a.m. with Monsieur William Faber officiating. The Rosery will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Berhalter-Hutchin Funeral Home.

Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Hazel A. Getts

ASHLEY — Hazel A. Getts, 82, Route 1, Ashley, died Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Born June 12, 1896, in Fairfield Township, she was the daughter of Jacob and Clara (Reinoehl) Perkins. She married John Getts Nov. 25, 1917, who preceeded her in death on Jan. 6, 1968.

Mrs. Getts was a homemaker, a member of the Pleasant Chapel Church of the Brethern, and the church's Ladies Aide.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Belva) Perlich, Route 1, Corunna; one sister, Mrs. Ernest (Daisy) Pairan, rural Corunna; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in Pleasant Chapel Church on Monday at 2 p.m. with Rev. Thomas Deal officiating.

Burial will be in the Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home in Ashley after 2 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Mon., July 31, 1978

Norman Morr

Norman D. Morr, 43, Auburn, died at 3 p.m. Sunday of a heart attack. He was a prominent farmer at Route 1, Auburn. He also worked at Auburn's Butler & Butler Construction Co.

He was born at Route 1, Auburn on April 26, 1935 to Walter and Edna Morr, who survive. On Nov. 12, 1955, he married JoAn Carper, who survives. Mr. Morr is also survived by two sons, Jeff, Butler and Tom, at home; and a brother, Sam, Route 1, Garrett.

Mr. Morr was treasurer of the Auburn Moose Lodge and a member of the Butler Eagles.

A Moose memorial service will be conducted at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo at 8 p.m. Tuesday. His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. Rev. Wilbur Miller of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Willard Walter

Willard D. Walter, 71, Route 1, Corunna, died Sunday at his home. He had been in failing health for one year.

Mr. Walter was born Oct. 3, 1906, in Edgerton, Ohio. He was a retired farmer and retired employee of Garrett Tubular. He had resided in this area for 25 years.

Survivors include three sons, DuValle E., Columbia City, Stanley G., Route 1, Corunna, and Stephen E., Route 1, Corunna; one sister, Mrs. Beulah Barbour, Columbia City; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Burial will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., August 1, 1978

Donald Hetrick

HAMILTON – Donald E. Hetrick, 43, owner of Hetrick's Pizza House, Hamilton, died Monday at 10:15 a.m. in the emergency room of Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Born in Woodburn, in February, 1935, he was the son of Harold and Ida Hetrick. He married Shirley Russell who survives.

Mr. Hetrick was past master of Opsego Lodge No. 70, Hamilton, the Scottish Rite and Shrine.

Survivors besides the wife are the mother who resides in Woodburn; three daughters, Mrs. Tim (Shery) Glasper, Terri Hetrick and Carri Hetrick, all of Hamilton; one son, Larry Hetrick, Hamilton; three sisters, Mrs. Herb (Audrey) Bruns, Woodburn; Mrs. Steve (Marie) Keller, Woodburn; and Mrs. Ron (Rita) Meridith, Leo; six brothers, Marion Hetrick, Crooked Lake, Angola; John Hetrick, Woodburn; Max Hetrick, Richard Hetrick and Bob Hetrick, all of Leo; and Gene Hetrick, El Paso, Texas; and one granddaughter.

Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Amos McGinnis officiating, assisted by Rev. Ray Squibbs.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today and all day Wednesday.

Services held

Services for Hazel Getts were held Monday at 2 p.m. in Pleasant Chapel Church of the Brethren, with Rev. Thomas Deal officiating.

Burial was in Fairfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Ralph Kanaga, Joe Ober, Lester Hartman, Russell Hartman, Herman Pankop and John Brand.

The Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, was in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Weds., August 2, 1978

Milford Funk

LAOTTO — Milford Funk, 88, Route 1, LaOtto, died Tuesday at the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been in poor health three months.

Mr. Funk was a retired laborer. He was born Feb. 27, 1890 in Ohio and married Luella Ice, who survives him.

Also surviving is a daughter, Mrs. R. Midwell, Indianapolis, and a step-daughter, Mrs. Robert Taylor, Logan, Ohio.

Mr. Funk had four grandchildren and nine step-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey, a retired Methodist minister, will officiate. Calling is after 3 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

No Obituary on Thurs., August 3, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., August 4, 1978

Mary Trenary

BUTLER — Mary W. Trenary, 78, Route 1, Butler, died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at her home.

Mrs. Trenary was born April 5, 1900 at a rural Auburn residence to Charles and Dora (Thomas) Witt. She married C. Brooks Trenary in 1922. He died in 1949. Three sons also preceded her in death.

Survivors include one son, Forest Trenary, rural Butler and seven daughters, Doris Matherly, Elkhart; Joan Cook, Ontario, Canada; Audrie Walter, rural Wolcottville; Opal Mason, rural St. Joe; Ruth Fetters, Wawaka; Alice Yarde, rural Garrett and Mary Lou Baughman, rural Butler.

A sister, Hazel Rennecker, rural Auburn, also survives Mrs. Trenary. She has 27 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church. Rev. Jeffrey Snyder will officiate, with burial in the Woodlawn Cemetery. Friends may call at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, after 3 p.m. Saturday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

The Evening Star, Sat.,August 5 , 1978

M. Leah Hogue

GARRETT — M. Leah Hogue, 80, Route 1, LaOtto, died at the Kendallville Nursing Home Friday at 6 p.m. She was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, Holiday Lakes.

Mrs. Hogue was born to Joseph and Elizabeth (Swan) Boyen in Kingman, Ind., February 2, 1898, but had lived in LaOtto for the past 40 years.

She is survived by her husband, Francis W. Hogue. The couple married in 1927.

Also surviving is a daughter Mrs. Robert J. Knott, LaOtto and a sister Ruby Nichols, Lafayette.

She has four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. monday in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. James Simmons will officiate. Calling is at the funeral home after 2 p.m Sunday. Burial will be in the Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

G. Heber Haynes

GARRETT — G. Heber Haynes, 81, Route 1, Garrett, died at 8:30 a.m. Friday morning. He was a retired farmer.

Mr. Haynes was lifelong resident of the area. He was born Feb. 6, 1897 in Richland Township, DeKalb County, to Edward and Lydia Haynes.

His wife, Nellie M. DeVeny, survives. They were married July 25, 1964.

Surviving are four sons, John E., Route 3, Auburn, Wayne E., Route 4, Auburn, Richard L., Route 1, Garrett and James M., Route 1, Garrett.

Two step-sons, Russell DeVeny, Fort Wayne, and Jack DeVeny, Portland, Ore., also survive, along with three sisters, Carrie Jordan, Avilla, Inez Kern, Garrett, and Sadie Tuttle, Garrett. A brother, Loyd, is also living.

Mr. Haynes has 20 grandchildren, six step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

Services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, Corunna, with burial in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. Rev. glenn F. Mulligan will officiate.

Calling is at McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, from 2 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday. Friends may also call after 9 a.m. monday at the church.

The Evening Star, Mon., August 7, 1978

Gladys Hanes

Gladys Irene (Berry) Hanes, 80, 1305 Pearl St., Auburn, died Saturday morning at her home.

Mrs. Hanes was born in Jackson Township June 19, 1898, the daughter of Clarence O. and Pluma (Stafford) Berry. She married George Hanes October 6, 1915 in Hillsdale, Mich. Her husband preceded her in death.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Frazee, and Nila Hanes; one son, Glenn Hanes; three brothers, Kenneth, Russell and Ralph, all of Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Helen Barner, Tekonsha, Mich., Mrs. Lotus Bartles, Mrs. Ruth Baughman, and Mrs. Rose Marie Newcomber, all of Auburn. Three grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Carroll McNutt of the Indian Church of God, Auburn officiating. Burial will be at the Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Glan H. Bovlick

Glen H. Bovlick, 73, 515 N. Fair St., Kendallville, died Saturday at the Kendallville Nursing Home. He was a retired railroad section hand.

Mr. Bovlick was born in DeKalb County April 24, 1905 and had lived for 20 years at his Kendallville address. He was married to Goldie Bowd in 1936. She preceded him in death.

A sister, Anna Bovlick, Angola, survives.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Ross Richey, United Methodist Church, Butler. Calling is at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

No Obituary on Tues., August 8, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds ., August 9 , 1978

Lela Strong

FORT WAYNE — Lela Fern Strong, 89, 2209 Kenwood, Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at 12:10 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been ill three weeks.

Born Jan. 9, 1889 in Prairieville, Mich., she was the daughter of Ira and Addie (Glenn) Blanchard. She married Christian George Strong Jan. 5, 1908 in Battle Creek, Mich. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Strong was a member of the Hudson Chapter 373 Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Elezar (Wilma) Clark, Fort Wayne; one son, Ronald Strong, Newberry, Mich.; four grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Arthur Givens of the United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thur., August 10, 1978

Ardis Snyder

BUTLER — Ardis (Lynn) Snyder, 63, Route 2, Butler, died in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, early this morning. She was both an artist and a musician.

Mrs. Snyder was born to George and Blanche Lynn May 19, 1915 in Wilmington Township, DeKalb County.

She married Elmer C. Snyder Mar. 17, 1936 in Marion, Indiana. They have a daughter, Shirley Iresz, Venice, Fla., and a son, Vaughn, at home.

Surviving is a brother, Frank Lynn, Toledo, Ohio, and two sisters, Mary Hofferverth and Vada Marks, both of Fort Wayne.

She was a member of the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday in the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with burial in the Butler Cemetery. Rev. Dennis L. Kurtzner will officiate. Calling begins after 2 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

No Obituaries on Fri., & Sat., August 10, 11, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., August 14 , 1978

Ruth Showalter

Ruth Hawk Showalter, 68, 905 Janie St., Auburn, died Saturday at her home after a two-month illness. She had been a teacher for 35 years, most recently a second grade teacher East Auburn Elementary School. She lived in Auburn most of her life.

Mrs. Showalter was born Jan. 30, 1910 in Churubusco. She was a member of the Auburn United Methodist Church, Tri Kappa, Kappa Delta Phi and Kenwigs Literary

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. James (Louise) Sellers, Auburn; Mrs. Cecil (Sally) Johnson, Hamilton; and Mary Ann Showalter, Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Helen Mast, Boynton Beach, Fla.; and three grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home, with Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at Bale Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Memorials and contributions can be made to either Auburn First United Methodist Church or to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

George Stewart

George E. Stewart, 77, 906 S. Phillip St., Auburn, died early Sunday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born May 25, 1901, and married Dorothy Alice Goode on May 25, 1935. Mr. Stewart was a retired machinist. He lived in the area for the past ten years, and was a member of the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn.

He is survived by his wife, four brothers, George W., M. G., and C. W. Stewart, all of Tennessee, and L. M. Stewart of Alabama. Two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren also survive.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, where friends may call after 3 p.m. today. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetary.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Bible Baptist Church.

The Evening Star, Tues., August 15, 1978

William C. Day

WATERLOO — Word has been received here of the death of William C. Day, 83, formerly of Waterloo, who died July 25, in Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Day had lived in the Los Angeles area for the past 56 years.

Surving Mr. Day are his wife, Florence M. Day, Redlands, Cal., a daughter, Pauline Shumsky, Foster City, Cal., and four grandchildren.

Memorial services were held for Mr. Day at Redlands Cortner Chapel, with the Rev. John Wichman, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Private interment was in Woodlawn Mausoleum, Santa Monica, Calif.

Mr. Day was a member of Masonic Lodge 307, Waterloo; Al Malaikah Shrine of Los Angeles; Scottish Rite of San Bernardino; Veterans of World War I, Redlands Barracks and was a veteran of W. W. I, having served in the U.S. Army.

Forrest L. Johnson

ANGOLA — Forrest L. Johnson, 83, died in Angola's Cameron Memorial Hospital last Friday. He was the father of Cyrus Johnson, Auburn.

Mr. Johnson lived at 617 N. Williams St., Angola. He was a retired industrial engineer. He was born Aug. 2, 1895 in Youngstown, Ohio.

Surviving in addition to his son in Auburn are two other sons, Santford of Angola and Forrest L., Jr. of South Bend, along with seven grandchildren.

His funeral was held Monday in Klink Funeral Home, Angola. Burial was in Floral Grove Cemetery, West Unity, Ohio. Masonic services were held Sunday evening.

Memorial gifts to the Heart Fund or to Cameron Memorial Hospital are preferred.

No Obituary on Weds., August 16, 1978

The Evening Star, Thur., August 17, 1978

Warren Clarke

Warren B. Clarke, 58, died Wednesday from lingering illness at his home in New Rochelle, N.Y., where he lived the past 10 years. He was a salesman and author.

He was born June 19, 1920 in Auburn, to Dr. Charles and Helen B. (Bauer) Clarke. His mother survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are four daughters; Kris Clarke, Glendale, N.Y.; Mrs. Helen (Yvonne) Jordan, Florida; Penny Clarke, Arkansas; and Mrs. Gay Marie Burns, Florida; one son; Warren Clarke, Jr., North Carolina; three brothers; Horace, South Bend; Robert, Bethesda, Md. and Dr. Calvin Clarke, Fort Wayne; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home in Auburn at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Msgr. Leo Hoffman of Immaculate Conception Church will officiate.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., August 18, 1978

Willard Robbins

ANGOLA — Willard E. Robbins, Sr., 63, Route 1, Angola, died Monday at the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md.

Mr Robbins was born June 13, 1915 in Auburn, the son of H. E. and Mary B. (Snyder) Robbins.

Survivors include his wife, Sarah; four children, Darlene Kaiser, Galion, Ohio; Willard Robbins, Jr., Riverside, Calif.; Larry E. Robbins, Galion, Ohio; and Rita Taylor, Orlando, Fla.; four step-children, David and Samuel E. Crossley, of Ligonier; Sonja Ann Schrock, Syracuse, Ind.; Arlene Collins, Angola; 24 grandchildren and three great-grandsons.

Mr. Robbins leaves four brothers, Cliff and Floyd Robbins, Angola; Wilbur Robbins, Garrett; and Merle Franklin, Battle Creek, Mich.; four sisters, Truly Moon, Mt. Morris, Mich.; Annabelle Congelton, Butler; Vera Mae Riggenback, Pontiac, Mich.; and Marjorie Johnson, Columbia City.

His funeral will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Klink Memorial Chapel, Angola. Friends may call after 4 p.m. today and prayer services will be held at 7:30 tonight at the funeral home.

Burial will be at North Shore Memory Gardens, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Masonic services set for Clarke

Masonic services for Warren B. Clarke, 58, who died Wednesday at his home in New Rochelle, N.Y., will be held tonight at 8 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Funeral services for Mr. Clarke, who was a veteran of World War II, will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Msgr. Leo Hoffman of Immaculate Conception Church will officiate.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., August 19, 1978

Alfred D. Ellis

WABASH — Alfred D. Ellis, 72, of North Webster, Ind., died Thursday afternoon at the Whitley County Memorial Hospital, Columbia City following an illness of two months.

He was the father of Marvin Ellis, Auburn.

Mr. Ellis was born April 15, 1906 in Miami County, Ind., the son of Charles O. and Bessie (Zimmerman) Ellis. He married Wilma Rhamy in Logansport, Ind., Dec. 31, 1955.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are two sons, Merle of Wabash and Marvin of Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Leroy Pratt, Wabash; one step-son, Leslie Harden of Warsaw; and one step-daughter, Janice Christ, Marion.

One brother and one sister survive Mr. Ellis. They are Francis Ellis of Michigan City, Ind. and Mrs. Elmer (Rosanna) Wood, Logansport. In addition, 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren survive.

His funeral services will be held at the chapel of the Eddingfield Mortuary, 231 Falls Ave., Wabash, on Sunday at 2:30 p.m., with the Rev. A. C. Underwood officiating. Friends may call after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Park Lawn Cemetery in Amboy, Ind.

The Evening Star, Mon., August 21, 1978

Ralph Parish

Ralph A. Parish, 69, 205 W. Fifth St., Auburn, died Saturday at 8:20 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there for one week.

Mr. Parish was an 11-year resident of Auburn, moving here from Fort Wayne. He was retired from his post as a court bailiff in Allen County.

He was born in Marsailles, Ohio on Aug. 6, 1909. He married Ernestine Gdm in Upper Sandusky, Ohio on May 1, 1942. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Barry (Jenny) Bartel, Auburn; a brother, Herbert O. Parish, Wolcottville, Ind.; and two sisters, Mrs. Mildred Orians and Mrs. Helen Heffelfinger, both of Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

He was a member of Auburn Elks Lodge 1978 and the F.O. Eagles in Upper Sandusky.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Ross Mahan will officiate. Burial will be in Old Mission Cemetery, Upper Sandusky, where graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. (Indiana time) Tuesday.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Mabel Whitecotton

Mabel B. Whitecotton, 87, died at 2:10 a.m. today in her home at 708 Ensley Avenue, Auburn. She had been in failing health for 1½ years.

She was born in Garrett on July 26, 1891. She moved from Peru, Ind. to Auburn 15 years ago. She was a housewife.

Mrs. Whitecotton is survived by a daughter, Luella Whitecotton, 708 Ensley Ave., Auburn.

She was a member of Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Hazel Quester

ELKHORN, Wis. — Hazel Quester, 83, died last Friday in Elkhorn, Wis. She was born in Indiana on Jan. 25, 1895 and made her late home in Chicago. She was a retired seamstress.

Mrs. Quester is survived by three daughters; Mrs. Echo Klein, Mrs. Erial Landers and Mrs. Edna Yegge; by her parents; Frank and Matti (Bouse) Carson, rural Auburn; and 16 grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. The Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Ethel Tom

JACKSON, Mich. — Ethel Tom, 64, died Friday at 8 p.m. in Fort East Hospital, Jackson, Mich. She was a former Butler resident.

Mrs. Tom was born March 3, 1914. She is survived by her husband, Lawrence; two sons, Paul, Fort Wayne, and Charles, Jackson, and a daughter, Mrs. Charlene Harris, Riverside, Cal. Other survivors include her mother, Rosa Brown, Litchfield, Mich.; three brothers, George Brown, Riverside, Cal. Lee Brown, Lansing, Mich, and Kenneth Brown, Jackson, Mich., two sisters, and five grandchildren.

Services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. (Michigan time) at the Weatherby Funeral Home, Jackson, Mich. Graveside services are at 11:30 a.m. (Indiana time) at the Butler Cemetery. The family will receive callers after the services at the I & M Building in Butler.

No Obituary on Tues., August 22, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., August 23, 1978

Helen Yanuszeski

Helen D. Yanuszeski, 81, died Monday at 10:18 p.m. in McCray Hospital. She had been a resident of the Lutheran Home in Kendallville for the past four years. Prior to that, she lived in Garrett.

She was born Jan. 9, 1897 in Bronson, Mich. She was a housewife, and was married to the late Vincent Yanuszeski, who died in 1956.

Her survivors include four sons, Richard, Kendallville; Edwin, Columbia City; Alexander, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Valetine, Bloomfield, Mich.; a daughter, Mrs. Miles (Dolores) Doolittle, Royal Oak, Mich.; three brothers, Edwin Sikorski, Florida; Alvy, Wixom, Mich.; and Henry, Sherwood, Mich.; a sister, Mrs. Jesty Rogala, Romeo, Mich.; six grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.

One son and one daughter preceded her in death.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Wednesday. Rosary services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Thur., August 24, 1978

Ray Young

WILDWOOD, Fla. — Ray Young, a former Auburn businessman, reportedly died Tuesday in Florida. He once owned a greenhouse on South Indiana Avenue, and left Auburn about 10 years ago.

Services will be held at Harper Funeral Home in New Haven, Ind. next Tuesday.

Clara Gardner

HUDSON — Clara E. Gardner, 78, Route 2, Hudson, died Thursday at 4 p.m. in the Kendallville Nursing Home. She had been ill three months.

Born in DeKalb County, Aug. 30, 1898, she was the daughter of Emanuel and Lucinda (Reamer) Hovarter. She married Henry A. Gardner June 23, 1920 in Noble County. He preceded her in death Dec. 8, 1959.

Mrs. Gardner was a lifetime resident of the Hudson area and was a member of the Helmer United Methodist Church.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Wayne (Hilda) Leighty, Shalley Drive, Kendallville; and Mrs. Willis (Doloris) Peachy, Route 1, Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Nina Barnett, Sanysidro, Calif.; one brother, Russell Hovarter, Lakeville; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

One son, two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Wayne Davis of the Orland United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m.

William Casey

HUDSON — William H. Casey, 69, Route 1, Hudson, died today at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville, following an illness of the past six months.

Mr. Casey was born May 28, 1909 in Walkerton, Ind., the son of Henry and Geneva Casey. He was a lifelong resident of Hudson, and was employed by the B & O Railroad as a brakeman for 40 years.

Mr. Casey married Clara H. Brose on Nov. 11, 1932 in Hana, Ind. She preceded him in death in 1974. Two sons also preceded him in death.

Surviving are two sons, Damon of Garrett and David of Niles, Mich.; one brother, Andy, of Garrett; and two sisters, Mrs. Wilma Hockett, LaPorte, Ind. and Mrs. Tip (Marie) Dirrim, of Florida. Two grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Casey was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge, the United Transportation Union, Garrett Eagles and the Garrett United Methodist Church.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, with Pastor Ronald Bowman officiating. Friends may call after 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

The Evening Star, Sat., August 26, 1978

Rosella Stomm

ASHLEY — Rosella Gage Grogg Stomm, 74, Route 1, Ashley, died Friday at the Garrett Community Hospital after a three-day illness.

Mrs. Stomm was born April 9, 1904, in LaGrange County and married Cecil R. Stomm in Auburn on May 29, 1948. Her husband survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Louann Grogg Miller, Taylor Mich.; three stepdaughters, Mrs. Donald (Geraldine) Miller, Big Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Van (Helen) Ransburg, Hudson; and Mrs. Robert (Beverly) Farven, Route 1, Ashley; two sisters, Mrs. Earl (Pauline) Teegardin, LaGrange; and Mrs. Glen (Irene) Foster, South Bend; a half-sister, Mrs. Harry (Florence) Heath, LaGrange; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Stomm was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ, Ashley-Hudson area, the Fairfield Township Home Economics Club, and the Kendallville World War I Veteran's Auxiliary.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. in Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Bill Burleson officiating. Friends may call Saturday, from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Burial will be at the Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the St. John's United Church of Christ or the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Gretchen Jones

Mrs. Gretchen Jones, 64, Route 2, Auburn, died this morning at 1:15 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she was admitted Friday night.

Prior to her admission into the hospital, she lived in the Butler Nursing Home one week. She had been failing in health five years.

Born Feb. 6, 1914, in Terra Haute, she was the daughter of Omer and Bessie (Childs) Mader. Her father survives and resides in Auburn.

She has lived in the Auburn area since 1938 when she moved here from Muncie.

Survivors besides her father include one son, Allen Jones, Garrett, and one granddaughter, Jennifer.

Services will be held 10 a.m., Monday, in the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Carl O. Wirey officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 1:30 p.m. in Beech Grove Cemetery, Muncie.

Friends may call Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Margaret Galloway

GARRETT — Margaret A. Galloway, 86, 900 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died Saturday at Lakeland Nursing Home in Angola, following an illness of the past three months.

Miss Galloway was born April 20, 1892 in Garrett, the daughter of Adolphus B. and Bertha A. Galloway. She was an accountant for the B & O Railroad in Garrett, Akron and Pittsburgh for 54 years.

Surviving are one brother, Floyd Galloway, Washington, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Wilma Spahr, Angola; Mrs. Josephine Fell, Johnstown, Penn.; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, with the Rev. James Platner of the First Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. today at the funeral home, and the family has requested that memorials be made to the First Church of Christ.

Ruth J. Mayse

Ruth Joanna Mayse, 52, 1202 S. Cedar St., Auburn, died this morning at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Mayse was a retired employee of Electric Motors in Garrett. She was born March 8, 1926, the daughter of Marley and Ruth (Goe) Croy. She married Woodrow Mayse Mar. 28, 1945. Both her husband and mother survive.

In addition to her husband and mother, Mrs. Mayse is survived by five sons, Donald, Bryan, Ohio; Richard, South Point, Ohio; Michael, David and Steven, all of Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Cathy Miller, Hicksville, Ohio; one brother Phillip Croy, Auburn; four sisters, Martha Vogtman, Pleasant Lake; Margarety Martí, Garrett; Phyllis Freeman, Bedford; Mrs. Shirley Patton, Auburn; and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Nazarene Church with the Rev. Carl Greek officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may cal after 3 p.m. Tuesday at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home.

Julia B. Burtch

Mrs. Julia B. Burtch, mother of Raymond Burtch, manager of the DeKalb County Advertiser, died Monday at 10:10 p.m. at the Golden Years Homestead Nursing Home in Fort Wayne where she had resided since 1973. Mrs. Burtch was 84 years old.

Prior to moving to the Golden Years home, Mrs. Burtch had resided at 213 E. High St., Garrett.

Mrs. Burtch was born Aug. 23, 1894, in Auburn, the daughter of Ellis and Martha Cartwright.

She was married in Auburn Sept. 9, 1911, to Nelson Burtch, who preceeded her in death in 1968.

Surviving in addition to son Raymond, who resides in Garrett, are another son, Richard, also of Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Norbert (Lois) Deuitch, Garrett, and Mrs. John (Lila) Deuitch, LaPorte; eight grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Burtch was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, James Platner of the First Church of Christ officiating.

Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Wednesday.

George Harter

WABASH, Ind. — George J. Harter, 71, Liberty Mills, Ind., died this morning at Wabash County Hospital, Wabash, following an illness of the past seven years.

Mr. Harter was born July 7, 1907, the son of William E. and Laura Belle (Rayber) Harter. He married Della Marie Brown on Dec. 1, 1937 and was a retired farmer.

Mr. Harter is survived by his wife, four daughters, Mrs. Ronald (Elizabeth) Helbert, Fresno, Calif.; Mrs. Chester (Loretta) Masters, Fort Wayne; Miss Lois Manning, and Miss Laura June Harter, both at home; one son, William F. Harter, South Whitley, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Arthur (Elva) Fike, Garrett, and Mrs. Walter (Minnie) Zuber, Fort Wayne; and eight grandchildren.

He was a member of the Lutheran Church of Corunna.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Bender Funeral Home in North Manchester.

John Milks

John W. Milks, 61, died of cancer Monday at 4:44 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Ind. He was born in Kendallville, where he lived 20 years.

The retired state trooper made his late address at 1933 N. 20th St. in Lafayette.

Mr. Milks is survived by his wife, Lois; three sons, Ken, Fort Wayne; Ronnie and Rickie, Lafayette; two brothers; Harold, Phoenix, Arz., and Arthur, Quincy, Mich.; and eight grandchildren.

His parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Milks.

He was a member of the Lafayette Church of God. His funeral will be at Solter and Baker Funeral Home in Lafayette on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Gerald Faylor

LAOTTO — Gerald G. Faylor, 70, died Monday at 8:20 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital from a two-year illness.

He was born April 4, 1908 in rural Allen County to Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. (Mae) Faylor. He lived in Laotto for 31 years, and was an employee at the Huntertown Grain and Lumber Co.

On Sept. 15, 1930 in Fort Wayne, he married Mabel M. Davis, who survives. Mr. Faylor is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. Guy Grocock, Swan, Ind., and Mrs. Dean Fulk, Churubusco; one son, Robert, Fort Wayne; two brothers, Wayne, Fort Wayne, and Everett, Huntertown; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

His funeral will be at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett at 1:30 p.m. Friday. The Rev. Emmett L. Anderson of the Calvary United Methodist Church in Avilla will officiate. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Hazel Simanton

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Hazel Simanton, 66, a former Auburn resident, died Tuesday morning in a Phoenix hospital. She lived for the past 20 years at 1830 E. Rose Lane, Phoenix.

She was born in St. Joe, and married George Simanton, who survives.

Also surviving are two children, Mrs. Susan Gregory and Steven Simanton, both of Phoenix; a brother, Wayne Storer, St. Joe; and three sisters, Mrs. Fred Laub, Butler; Mrs. George Wade, Orland; and Mrs. William Squires, Gainesville, Fla.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in Hansen's Mortuary, Phoenix.

George Harter

LIBERTY MILLS, Ind. — Funeral services for George J. Harter, 71, Liberty Mills, Ind., who died Tuesday, will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the Bender Funeral Home in North Manchester, Ind., with the Rev. Barry Urb officiating.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Greenwood Cemetery, North Manchester.

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Harold Weihmuller

Harold Weihmuller, 75, 105 Glenwood Place, Kendallville, died Wednesday at 8:32 a.m. in the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Corunna, Sept. 10, 1902, he was the son of John and Barbara Weihmuller. He married Kennis Aldrich June 5, 1926 in Corunna. She survives.

Mr. Weihmuller had lived in Kendallville 43 years moving from Fort Wayne. He was retired as owner of a dry-cleaning business. He was a member of the First Christian Church, F. & A.M. Lodge 276, Scottish Rite Shrine, York Rite, Royal Arch, and was past patron of Eastern Star.

Survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Jo Ann) Smith, Marietta, Ga.; three sisters, Mrs. Viola Dosch, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Ada Farrington, Corunna; and Mrs. Elsie Dawson, Auburn; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Six sisters and three brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with Rev. Mark Richardson of the First Christian Church, officiating.

Burial will be in the Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

There will be a Masonic service Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The Evening Star, Fri., September 1, 1978

Hubert M. Hines

Hubert M. Hines, 60, Route 1, Auburn, died this morning at the home of his mother, 407 S. Main St., Auburn.

Mr. Hines was born July 1, 1918, the son of Dr. A. V. and Georgia (Van Fleet) Hines. He was a retired technician for the DeKalb County Area Soil Conservation District, and a lifelong resident of Auburn. On Aug. 20, 1949, Mr. Hines married the former Betty Jackson, of Fort Wayne, who survives.

Surviving in addition to his wife and mother are a daughter, Rebecca Hines, Fort Wayne, and three brothers, Stanley E., David, and Dr. John Hines, all of Auburn. Another brother, Arthur, preceded him in death.

Mr. Hines was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Private graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Cemetery. There will be no calling.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Presbyterian Church or DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Sat., September 2, 1978

Oscar Harris

SPENCERVILLE — Oscar Harris, 86, a former resident of Spencerville, died Friday at St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo. For the past 20 years, Mr. Harris had resided in Tiffin, Ohio.

He was born May 15, 1892, in Indiana, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harris. He was a retired bridge foreman for the B & O Railroad.

Survivors include his widow, Dorene; two sons, George, Fort Wayne, and James, Eustis, Fla.; four daughters, Mrs. Maurice Woodring, Auburn, Mrs. Ralph Hawkins, Fremont, Mrs. Ellen Jubinville, Long Beach, Cal., and Mrs. Walter Stewart, Fremont; 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Baldinger and Walter Funeral [illegible] Terry [illegible] officiating. Burial will be in the Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

Merritt Ewell

Merritt E. Ewell, 71, Route 1, Corunna, died this morning at McCray Hospital following an illness of the past two years.

Mr. Ewell was born in Noble County on Oct. 2, 1906, the son of John T. and Julie C. (Spatz) Ewell. He was a life long resident of the area. On Sept. 28, 1934, Mr. Ewell married the former Lorene Owen, who survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Don (Jo Ann) Heller, Route 4, Kendallville; one son, Robert E., Lincoln, Neb.; three granddaughters, Mrs. John (Cheryle) Bruick, and Lisa Heller, both of Route 4, Kendallville, and Rachel Ewell, Lincoln, Neb; and one sister, Mrs. Alma Prentice, Hudson. Two brothers preceded him in death.

Mr. Ewell was a member of the Fairfield Zion Lutheran Church and served as their organist for many years.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with the Rev. Richard Muller officiating. Friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Lake View Cemetery.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Fairfield Zion Lutheran Church or the Cancer Society.

No Obituary on Mon., September 4, 1978

Sadie Coyle

Sadie Coyle, 91, 340 W. Ninth St., Auburn, died Sunday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Coyle was born Aug. 8, 1887, the daughter of James and Delia Draggoo. She married Artus Coyle Dec. 9, 1911, who preceded her in death in 1948.

Mrs. Coyle is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Doris Henning, Auburn; one son, J. Denman Coyle, Auburn, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Coyle was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

A prayer service will be held Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Bale Funeral Home with the Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m.

Carrie Steiger

Carrie Steiger, 87, died Monday at 4 a.m. at the Glen Acres Nursing Home in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Steiger was born April 1, Jewett, Ohio; 13 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Two sons and three brothers preceeded Mrs. Steiger in death.

The body is currently at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo and will be taken to the Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church in Roseville where it will lie in state Thursday from noon until 2 p.m. The funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. with burial to follow in the Cadillac Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Fraser, Mich.

There will be no calling locally.

Goldie Renz

Mrs. Goldie Renz, 93, 1331 S. Jackson St., Auburn, died Saturday at Souder Health Care Center in Auburn following an illness of the past five years.

Mrs. Renz was born Oct. 9, 1884, in Defiance County, Ohio. In 1915, she married Elmer G. Renz, who preceded her in death in 1958. Mrs. Renz was a resident of Auburn for the past 65 years.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Ells and Mrs. Lydia Hipskind, both of Auburn; Mrs. Geneva Semenoff, Annapolis, Md.; one son, Jay Renz, Montgomery, Ala.; one brother, J. Lloyd Warfield, Camden, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Sylvia Shanline, Turon, Kan.; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Renz were Monday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The Bale Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Gertrude Kepler

Gertrude C. Kepler, 74, died today in Toledo Hospital. She lived at 510 S. Monroe St. in Montpelier, O.

She was born to Henry and Frances (Osbun) Ball on Aug. 5, 1904 in DeKalb County.

She married Ferum, surviving. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Lyle (Phyllis) Robison, Montpelier, O.; three sisters; Mrs. Edith Fisher, Battle Creek, Mich.; Mrs. Zelma White, Hamilton; and Mrs. Irene Nelson, Butler; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Kepler was a member of the WSCS of the First United Methodist Church of Montpelier.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Wilson-Geesey Funeral Home in Montpelier. The Rev. Robert Bear will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home anytime.

The Evening Star, Weds., September 6, 1978

Marie J. Green

GARRETT — Marie J. Green, 75, died of a stroke Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in Garrett Community Hospital. She lived in Garrett, at 912 S. Gilford St., since 1952.

She was born in Fort Wayne on Feb. 22, 1903 to Morris and Mary Schnieder. On Jan. 15, 1924, she married George R. Green, who survives.

Mrs. Green is also survived by a son; Edwin Green, Lakewood, O.; a daughter, Mrs. Keith Bock, Garrett; five grandchhildren and three great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rosary Society of Garrett's St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Her funeral will be at St. Joseph Church on Thursday at 10 a.m. There will be a rosary service at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate. Burial wil be in Fort Wayne's Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett after 2 p.m. today.

Sadie Coyle

A sister was omitted from the list of survivors of Sadie Coyle, 91, who died Sunday. Her surviving sister is Ruth Provines of Auburn.

Mrs. Coyle was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery today following graveside services and a prayer service at Bale Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Joe Garceau, Art Garceau, Harold Brown, Clifton Draggoo, Bruce Provines and Hubert Provines.

The Evening Star, Thur, September 7, 1978

George B. Eckhart

TUCSON, Ariz. — George Boland Eckhart, 80, died Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in Tuscon. He had been ill a year.

He was the grandson of Charles Eckhart, Auburn automotive industry pioneer and local philanthropist.

Mr. Eckhart was born Oct. 11, 1897 to Frank and Josse Boland Eckhart in Auburn, where he lived during his school years. He was a retired Southern Pacific Railroad employee. His late home was 5571 E. Lee St., Tuscon, Ariz.

He is survived by two sisters; Mary Ellen Eckhart and Josephine Leonard, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. Eckhart was a member of the Tuscon Methodist Church.

A memorial service will be held at Tuscon on Sept. 7. Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn will be at a later date.

Dilgard & Cline Funeral home is in charge of local arrangements.

No Obituaries on Fri., & Sat., September 8,9, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon.,September 11, 1978

Ralph Stomm

HUDSON — Ralph B. Stomm, 82, Route 2, Waterloo, died Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born Nov. 22, 1895 in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County, he was the son of Daniel and Mary (Burger) Stomm. He married Thersa Mae Hanes Dec. 2, 1917 in DeKalb County. She survives.

Mr. Stomm was a retired farmer and resided on the farm where he was born.

Survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Vivian) Northouse, Route 2, Waterloo; two sons, Robert G. Stomm, Route 2, Waterloo; and Larry Gene Stomm, Route 2, Auburn; one sister, Mrs. William (Emma) Burns, rural Butler; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. William Loucks, retired pastor of the Ashley-Hudson United Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Pleasant Chapel Church of The Brethren.

Florence O. Berry

FORT WAYNE — Florence O. Berry, 85, died Sunday at 7:55 a.m. at the Townhouse Retirement Center in Fort Wayne.

Miss Berry was born July 24, 1893, in DeKalb County, to Winfield Scott and Nell (Nelson) Berry.

She is a retired teacher of the Fort Wayne Community Schools, where she taught 40 years.

Miss Berry is survived by one sister, Mrs. Mary Eugenia Habig, Auburn. Six brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Methodist Church and a graduate of Indiana and Columbia Universities.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. and until the time of the services on Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., September 12, 1978

Dean LeRoy Smith

WATERLOO — Dean LeRoy Smith, 40, Route 2, Waterloo, died Monday at his home following a heart attack.

Mr. Smith was born March 4, 1938, the son of Harold and Neva (Vian) Smith. He married the former Karen Helf on April 18, 1964 at the Cedar Lake Church of Christ. Mr. Smith was a lifelong resident of the area and worked as a farmer.

In addition to his wife and mother, Mr. Smith is survived by two sons, Greg and Steven, and one daughter, Deborah, at home; and two brothers, Loren and Keith, both of Route 2, Waterloo.

His funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Max Smith officiating. Burial will be at Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Weds., September 13, 1978

Joanna R. Graves

BUTLER — Joanna Renee Graves, infant daughter of Joseph and Jamie (Pope) Graves, Butler, died Tuesday at her home.

She was born Aug. 22, 1978 at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

In addition to her parents, Joanna is survived by her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Retta Graves, Butler; and maternal grandparents, Garman and Rachel Dohner, Butler, and James Pope, Waterloo.

Her funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with Rev. Dennis Kutzner officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today.

No Obituaries on Thur., Fri., September 14, 15, 1978

The Evening Star, Sat., September 16, 1978

Roy Reidenbach

ST. JOE — Roy Herman Reidenbach, 82, St. Joe, died Thursday at 10:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since Monday.

Mr. Reidenbach lived in St. Joe since 1929. He was the Standard Oil agent for many years. He was also a World War I veteran.

He was born Dec. 13, 1895 in Noble County. He married Alice King on Aug. 12, 1919 in Kendallville. His wife survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Frank Sechler, St. Joe, and Mrs. Curtis Roney, Pinehurst, N.C; three sisters, Cora Yoder and Florence Elijah, Houghton Lake, Mich. and Ella Gill, United Methodist Home, Warren, Ind.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Reidenbach was a member of Concord Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne, the American Legion Post at St. Joe, and St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe.

His funeral will be Monday at 1 p.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, with Pastor Wilbur Miller officiating. Burial will be in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier.

Friends may call after 12 noon Sunday at Baldinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Masonic services will be held in the funeral home at 9 p.m. Sunday.

Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Gordon Meyer

HAMILTON — Gordon V. Meyer, 80, died at his home in Hamilton Friday morning.

Born Feb. 16, 1898, in Edgerton Ohio, he was the son of Henry and Hattie (Slater) Meyer.

He had been a resident of this area for 10 years and was retired from the New York Central Railroad. He was a member of the Bryan Eagles Lodges 2233, in Bryan, Ohio, and Edgerton Church of Christ.

Survivors include three brothers, George Meyer; Hamilton and Clifford and Earl Meyer both of Edgerton; two sisters, Mrs. Allen (Margret) Phelpes, Mesa, Ariz., and Mrs. L. P. (Edith) Blue, Auburn; one step daughter and one step son.

Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home in Hamilton, Rev. Art Grove, Hamilton Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in Eddey Cemetery.

Friends may call after noon Sunday.

The Evening Star, Mon., September 18, 1978

Loren V. Hinkle

Loren V. Hinkle, 50, 814 S. Indiana Ave., died Sunday afternoon at his home.

Mr. Hinkle was born in Cass County, Ind. on Jan. 9, 1928, the son of Howard and Thurza (Champe) Hinkle. On June 25, 1950, he married the former Marcelyn Kennell in Logansport, Ind.

In addition to his wife and mother, Mr. Hinkle is survived by one daughter, Darlene S. Brock, Nashville, Tenn.; two sons, Robert, of Fort Wayne, and David, at home; two brothers, Lyman, of Mishawaka, Ind.; and Leon, of Marion, Ind.; two sisters, Lucinda Hedges, Rochester, Ind.; and Lena Downhour, Walton, Ind.; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Hinkle was a member of the Auburn Bible Baptist Church. He was a former employee of Ball Brass and Aluminum Foundry, Inc. and Dana Corporation.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home with the Rev. Wayne Smith officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Tues, September 19, 1978

Tena Ladd

WATERLOO — Tena Ladd, 88, died in Auburndale, Fla. recently. She previously lived in Waterloo for 60 years.

She was born on July 3, 1890 in Ohio. She is survived by her husband; Elias W. Ladd; two sons; Gerald, Auburn, and Kenneth, Angola; a daughter; Mrs. Jarl Wilma Dawson, Auburndale, Fla.; a brother; Edward Myers, Angola; five grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild.

Mrs. Ladd was a member of the Barker Chapel Methodist Church. Her funeral is at Hamilton's Wilson Funeral Home on Wednesday at 2 p.m. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home anytime Wednesday.

Correction

Funeral services for Loren V. Hinkle, 50, 614 S. Indiana Ave., Auburn will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Auburn Bible Baptist Church, and not at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, as reported in Monday's Evening Star.

Mr. Hinkle died Sunday afternoon at his home. Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

No Obituary on Weds., September 20, 1978

The Evening Star, Thur., September 21, 1978

Bonnie Hess

CORUNNA — Bonnie Hess, 24, Corunna, died unexpectedly in Hazard, Ky. at 11 a.m. Tuesday. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Hess, Corunna, who survive.

Also surviving are three brothers, David, Kentucky; Wilder, Waterloo; and Clint, Corunna; and three sisters, Polly Hicks and Peggy Hale, both of Corunna; and Molly, at home.

Miss Hess was born Aug. 1, 1954 in Welch, W. Va. She lived in Corunna for the past 13 years. She was a charter member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Corunna.

Her funeral will be in Atwell, W. Va. A time has not be set.

The Evening Star, Fri., September 22, 1978

Ann Sanxter

HAMILTON — Ann B. Sanxter, 56, Shady Acres Trailer Court, Angola, died Thursday at her residence.

Born Nov. 15, 1921 in Edgerton, Ohio, she was the daughter of Frank and Mary (Bolvick) Hose.

She was a 23-year employee of the Weatherhead Company, Angola.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Jackie Smyth, Hamilton; one son, Jim Sanxter, Hamilton; three sisters, Mrs. George (Lois) Gleason and Mrs. John (Maxine) Jerger, both of Montpelier, Ohio; and Mrs. Jack (Gertrude) Reese, Fort Wayne; one brother, Bob Hose, Butler; and four grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibb officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 2 p.m.

Albert Hyma

WATERLOO — Albert Hyma Sr., 85, 383 Bellefountain Road, Marion, Ohio, died Friday afternoon at the Marion General Hospital.

Mr. Hyma was born March 18, 1893 in Zrougin, the Netherlands, the son of Abe and Dora (Brouwer) Hyma. On Aug. 20, 1927, he married the former Vera Nodine. For most of his life, Mr. Hyma was a history professor at the University of Michigan.

Survivors in addition to his wife include one daughter, Mrs. Beata Timmerman, Schenectady, N.Y.; two sons, Albert, Jr., Marion, Ohio; and David W., Holland, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Grace Boice, Ventura, Calif.; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call between 2 and 4 p.m. and 7 and 9 p.m. Sunday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Max Smith officiating.

Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Effie Garver

GARRETT — Mrs. Effie R. Garver, 90, 110 S. Britton St., Garrett, died Friday evening at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Garver was born March 4, 1898 in St. Joe, Ind. In 1921, she married Charles Garver, who preceded her in death in 1959.

Surviving is one son, William F. West, Garrett.

Services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, with the Rev. Richard Watt of the First Baptist Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Irene Bisel

Funeral services for Irene Bisel, 66, who died Friday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, with the Reverends John Dicken and Claude Garrison officiating. Pallbearers will be Bob Peake, Paul, Orval, Jim, Roy and Orval Bisel.

Friends may call until 9 tonight at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Mon., September 25, 1978

W V. Thelander

Word has been received that W.V. Thelander, 73, a co-founder of what is now Dana's Spicer Clutch Division, died in Arizona on Aug. 31.

Mr. Thelander, known as "Vince," was the designer of much of the original product line, including the "Auburn" clutch which was fitted to all of the famous World War II "Jeep" vehicles built by Willys and Ford. He was well-known in Auburn during the 1940s and '50s.

W.V. Thelander
Clutch pioneer dies

Mr. Thelander and his father, C.A. Thelander, came to Auburn in 1938 and started the original factory in the building now occupied by Hoham & Co. on South Wayne Street.

The present building was erected in 1942, and the company was called Auburn Manufacturing Co. Then, to more accurately portray the major product, renamed Atwood Clutch Co. about 1946.

When Dana purchased the operation from the Atwood Vacuum Machine Co. in 1947, the name was changed to Auburn Vacuum Clutch Co. and Mr. Thelander stayed on as general manager. In 1949 he moved to Toledo, Ohio as chief clutch engineer. In 1955 he became clutch sales manager and held this position until he retired in 1959, and moved to Cave Creek, Ariz.

Word of Mr. Thelander's death was received from his wife, Beverly, and immediate family.

William A. Farmer

WATERLOO — William Alonzo Farmer, 86, Waterloo, died at 1 a.m. today in Fords Creek Community Hospital, Swartz Creek, Mich. (near Flint).

Mr. Farmer was retired from General Electric. His late wife, Rosemary (Hefty), preceded him in death in 1971. He was born Aug. 9, 1892 in Eustis, Fla. to the late Warren and Charoletta (Secole) Farmer, of New York City.

He is survived by one son, Carl W. Farmer, Route 2, Butler, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., September 26, 1978

David M. Gilbert

GARRETT — David M. Gilbert, 17, 414 N. Cowen St., Garrett, died Sunday at 10:06 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been hospitalized since Friday.

The youth was a sophomore at Garrett High School. He was born in Winchester, Ind. on Sept. 12, 1961 to Harry (Jr.) and Carolyn (Huffman) Gilbert, who survive. Also surviving are a step-brother, James Gilbert, Auburn; two step-sisters, Wanda Gilbert and Mrs. Dan (Carol) Holben, both of Auburn; and a maternal grandmother, Mrs. Thelma Huffman, Winchester.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Garrett Nazarene Church. Rev. Michael Roberts will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., September 27, 1978

Harold DeLong

Harold O. DeLong, 67, Route 2, Avilla, died Tuesday afternoon in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Born in DeKalb County, Feb. 17, 1911 he was the son of Orrin and Olive (Treesh) DeLong. He married Ida Mae Smith, who survives, Nov. 2, 1933 in Waterloo.

Mr. DeLong was a retired farmer.

Survivors besides the wife are three daughters, Mrs. David (Carolyn) Lash, Kendallville; Mrs. Charles (Loretta) Nesbitt and Diana DeLong, both of Avilla; six sons, Harold Amos DeLong, Churubusco; Robert G. DeLong, Kendallville; LeRoy E. DeLong, Garrett; Hugh DeLong, Dale DeLong and Paul DeLong, all of Avilla; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Carper, Auburn; and Mrs. Gladys Beck, Sturgis, Mich.; one brother, Kenneth DeLong, Auburn; 10 grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Two brothers and five sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. C. Donald Richter officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Carl Gramling

ASHLEY — Carl A. Gramling, 87, a lifetime resident of the Ashley area, died at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday in the Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola.

Born in Ashley, July 1, 1891, he was the son of Albert and May (Chapman) Gramling. He married Bessie Fern Parr in 1915. She preceded him in death in 1971.

Mr. Gramling was a retired Ashley business man.

Survivors are one son, L. D. Gramling, Angola; one brother, Richard Gramling, Florida; four grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, with Rev. Dean Snyder of the Ashley Church of God, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

The Evening Star, Thur, September 28, 1978

Darl Marker

Darl W. Marker, 65, 208 W. Second St., Auburn, died Wednesday afternoon at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital following three weeks' hospitalization.

Mr. Marker was born Feb. 10, 1913 in Virginia, the son of Ted and Fannie Marker. On June 22, 1935, he married the former Esther Young in Hillsdale, Mich. She survives.

He was a former railroad employee, a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church and the United Trainworkers' Union. He was also a member of the Elks and Moose clubs.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Sharon Ann) Eldridge, 320 W. Twentieth St., Auburn; one sister, Mrs. Harold Coil, Albion; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. today at the funeral home.

No Obituaries on Fri. & Sat., September 29, 30, 1978

The Evening Star, Mon., October 2, 1978

Eva M. Garman

SPENCERVILLE — Mrs Eva M. Garman, 85, Route 1, Spencerville, died Sunday at the Lakeland Nursing Home in Angola.

Mrs. Garman was born Jan 24, 1893, in Allen County, the daughter of George and Eliza Tonkel. Her husband, Roscoe Garman, preceded her in death.

She is survived by one son, R. Stanley Garman, Route 1, Spencerville; one daughter, Helen Montgomery, Frankfort, Ind.; one sister, Bertha Kilian, Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Spencerville Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Baldinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville with Dr. Burkett Smith officiating. Burial will be at Leo Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today.

Walter Weck

Walter Earl Weck, 68, Route 1, Urbana, Indiana, father of Phillip Weck of Auburn, died Saturday at his home. Mr. Weck had been in failing health for one year.

He was born Aug. 21, 1910, in Urbana, the son of Adam and Rose (Miller) Weck.

On May 2, 1936, he married Martha Burnbaugh, who survives.

Surviving in addition to the widow and son Phillip are two daughters, Mrs. Marvin (Mary Ann) Mast, Wabash, and Eileen Weck, Urbana; and five grandchildren.

A lifelong resident of Urbana, Mr. Weck was a retired teacher. He was a member of St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Urbana where he taught sunday school and directed the church choir for 40 years.

Mr. Weck was a charter member of the Urbana Lions Club, the Mental Health Association, the North Manchester Civic Symphony Society, and the National, Indiana, and Wabash County Retired Teachers Associations.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Peter's United Church of Christ, the Rev. Harry Goodlin officiating. Burial will be in the St. Peter's Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Grandsaff-Hoover-Miner Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials are to the Wabash County Cancer Society and the Mental Health Association.

No Obituary on Tues., October 3, 1978

The Evening Star, Wed., October 4, 1978

Bessie Ringler

GARRETT — Mrs. Bessie Ringler, 90, a former Garrett resident, died Tuesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient since Sept. 15. She had lived at the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla for the past three years.

Mrs. Ringler was born Nov. 7, 1887 in Auburn and on Dec. 21, 1914, she married Boyd H. Ringler in Hillsdale, Mich. Mr. Ringler preceded her in death in 1963.

Surviving are two sons, Walter, Tri Lakes, Ind.; and Ralph, Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Howard Burtch, Golden Lake, Ind.; and Mrs. Ralph Tuttle, Garrett; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. James Platner, pastor of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be at Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Thur., October 5, 1978

DeRoyal I. Bailey

DeRoyal I. Bailey, 57, Route 2, Auburn, died Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital from a four-month illness.

Mrs. Bailey was born in DeKalb County to Jay and Gladys (Olinger) Pendland, and lived at Route 2, Auburn for 30 years. She was employed at Rieke Corp. On Feb. 22, 1941 in Auburn, she was married to Arthur M. Bailey, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. David (Pamela) Daub and Mrs. Paul (Linda) Kennedy, both of Auburn; two sons, Pastor Thomas Bailey, Orlando, Fla., and William Bailey, Auburn; five brothers; Basil Pendland, California; Jay Pendland, Kendallville; Ned, Olin and Allan of Goshen; three sisters; Mrs. Robert (Madonna) Erickson, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. Norma Reynolds, Goshen; and Deliah Pendland, Goshen; and 12 grandchildren.

Mrs. Bailey was a member of the Meese Chapel Church.

Her funeral will be in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Rev. Eugene Woolever will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Friday.

Bessie A. Cramer

GARRETT — Bessie A. Cramer, 64, a former Garrett resident, died Wednesday morning in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Dayton, Ohio. She had been living in Richmond, Ind.

Mrs. Cramer lived in Garrett most of her life. She was the wife of the late Everett Cramer, whom she married June 17, 1934 in Garrett. She was born May 7, 1914 in Indiana to the late R.G. and Naoma (Drew) Roberts.

Surviving are a son, John S. Kramer, Clark Air Force Base, Philippines; a daughter, Mrs. Amber K. Mezydlo, Fairborn, Ohio.; a brother, Richard Roberts, Richmond; and four grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of Garrett United Methodist Church, will officiate. Graveside services will be at Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., October 6, 1978

Correction

Funeral services for DeRoyal I. Bailey, 57, Route 2, Auburn, who died Wednesday, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Myrtle Young

KENDALLVILLE — Myrtle Young, 66, 450 Sherman St., Kendallville, died Thursday at her home.

She was born Feb. 27, 1912 in Four Mile, Ark., the daughter of James and Jenny Mae (Milwert) Stewart. On Nov. 3, 1930, she married Kenneth Young in Elgin, Ill. He preceded her in death in 1976.

Mrs. Young had lived in Kendallville for 30 years before moving to Fort Wayne, where she lived ten years. Two years ago, she moved back to Kendallville.

Surviving are three sons, Richard, Garrett; Melvin, Elgin; William, Ludlow, Ky.; two daughters, Mrs. Norma Howard, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Patricia Triplett, Kendallville; five sisters, Hazel, Jenny, Wanda, Mary and Burley, all of Elgin; 25 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Immaculate Conception Church, Kendallville, with Msgr. William Faber officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Cemetery.

Vigil services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Friends may call today from 7-9 p.m. and after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Gloria Smith

GARRETT — Gloria L. Smith, 83, formerly of Route 1, Garrett, died Thursday at the Spring View Manor Nursing Home, Lima, Ohio. She had been in failing health for one year.

Mrs. Smith was born May 25, 1895 in Nappanee, Ind. On June 16, 1912, she married Lawrence R. Smith in Goshen. He preceded her in death in 1966.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Carl Dietrich, Lima, Ohio; five grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, with the Rev. Glenn F. Mulligan officiating. Burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Donald Godsell

Donald E. Godsell, 44, 2382 Ginger Hill, Reading, Mich., died unexpectedly Sunday at 10:40 a.m. at his residence.

Born Oct. 19, 1933 in Noble County, he was the son of Ray and Dorothy (Covert) Godsell. He married Patricia Schroeder Aug. 22, 1953 in Elizabeth City, N.C. She survives.

He had served in the United States Navy and was marketing manager of Dana Corp. He was also an adviser for Junior Achievement in Hillsdale, Mich.

Survivors besides his wife are his mother, who resides in Kendallville; one daughter, Mrs. Raymond (Cynthia) Davis, Clarksville, Tenn.; one son, Daniel E. Godsell, Auburn; one brother, Allen Godsell, Kendallville; and three granddaughters.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Gregory Luttman

HUDSON — Gregory Allan Luttman, 22, died at 12:30 a.m. today in Coldwater Hospital, Coldwater, Mich., following an automobile accident a short time earlier.

He was born Aug. 22, 1956 in Fort Wayne and had been a resident of Hudson the past 15 years. He was employed by King-Seeley in Kendallville.

Survivors are his parents, Raymond and Janet (Smith) Tracey, Hudson; a brother, Rick Luttman, at home; a half-brother, Darrell Ettleman, at home; two stepbrothers Marty Tracey and Raymond Tracey Jr., at home; and two stepsisters, Vickey L. Tracey, Ashley; and Mrs. William (Penny) Wilhelm, Route 2, Hudson.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Alva Kelly of the Ashley-Hudson Nazarene Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, near Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Frances Johnson

WATERLOO — Frances H. Johnson, 61, Waterloo, died Saturday afternoon at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Johnson was born Sept. 10, 1917. She was the wife of the late Archie Johnson, who preceded her in death in 1969.

Surviving are two sons, Jerry, Fort Wayne, and Jack, Waterloo; one daughter, Mrs. Vicki Fox, Larwill, Ind.; and one granddaughter.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Waterloo Cemetery. There will be no calling.

The Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Tues., October 10, 1978

John Rugman

John Rugman, 89, rural Auburn, died Monday morning in Marshall, Mich. while vacationing.

Mr. Rugman ws born Sept. 4, 1889, the son of Charles and Emma Catherine (Wildeson) Rugman. He was a retired civil engineer.

Surviving are six brothers.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home with Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 5 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Weds., October 11, 1978

Russell Hovarter

LAKEVILLE, Ind. — Russell E. Hovarter, 69, a native of Helmer, Ind., died Tuesday at his Lakeville, Ind. home following an illness of the past seven months.

Mr. Hovarter was born March 8, 1909. On May 1, 1936 he married the former Helen B. Snyder, who survives. He was a retired truck driver and a member of Teamsters Union local 364.

Surviving in addition to his wife is one daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Grzesiak, Lakeville; two sons, LaVern L., LaPaz, Ind. and Ronald D. Hovarter, Elkhart; one sister, Mrs. Nina Barnett, San Syidro, Calif.; and six grandchildren.

His funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at the Olive Branch United Brethren in Christ Church, Lakeville, with the Rev. O. D. Lovell officiating. Burial will be at Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Palmer Memorial Chapel, Lakeville, and one hour before the service Friday in the church.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

Benjamin Drieske

POMPANO BEACH, Fla. — Benjamin C. Drieske, 65, died late Tuesday following open heart surgery in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was the brother-in-law of Jeanette O'Masta, Garrett.

Mr. Drieske lived in Pompano Beach and was owner of Rarcoa Coin Company. He is survived by his wife, Ivaline; a son, Paul, McHenry, Ill.; two daughters, Ruth Ann, Illinois and Ivaline, Dallas, Tex.; a brother, Christy Arnold, Hamilton, Ohio; one sister; and five grandchildren.

His funeral will be Thursday at Bibletown Baptist Church near his home.

No Obituary on Thur., October 12, 1978

Vernie Worman

BUTLER — Vernie L. Worman, 76, 319 W. Walnut St., Butler, died Thursday at his home.

Mr. Worman was born June 17, 1902 in Lawrence County, Ind., the son of Robert and Cora Worman. He had lived in the area for 28 years.

Surviving are two daughters, Carol Ball, Bryan, Ohio; and Mrs. Sharon Barney, Route 1, Butler; two brothers, Victor, Lafayette; and Doyle, Indianapolis; one sister, Mrs. Elsie Price, Elkhart; and three grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. David Beard, pastor of the Butler Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Alice Williamson

Alice Williamson, 86, died Thursday at 12:25 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home. She had lived for many years at 402 S. Phillips St, Auburn.

She was the wife of the late Harry Williamson, who preceded her in death.

Her survivors include a son, Harry, of New Jersey; and two daughters, Mrs. Henry Jackson, Dallas, Tex. and Mrs. Henry Palmer, of Alabama.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Friday.

Doris Coombs

BELLEVUE, Ohio — Doris E. Coombs, 89, Bellevue, Ohio, died today at Bellevue Hospital. She had been in failing health for the past five years.

Mrs. Coombs was born in Waterloo, the daughter of George and Ella (Whirley) Schuster.

Surviving are her husband, Hugh R. Coombs; one daughter, Mrs. Norman (Jessie) Krone, Fort Wayne; one son, Hugh K. Coombs, Bellevue; one sister, Mrs. Nellie Wittig, Waterloo; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday in Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home with Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial will be in Union Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m.

Correction

Some incorrect information was given the Star concerning Woodrow Mayse of Auburn, who died last week at the age of 82.

One surviving sister, Beulah, was omitted from his death notice.

Mr. Mayse was born Sept. 14, 1916 (not the 17th) and married March 28, 1945 (not the 8th). He has 13 surviving grandchildren (not nine).

The Evening Star, Sat., October 14, 1978

Douglas Aiken

FREMONT, Mich. — Douglas Aiken, 76, died last Sunday in Gerber Memorial Hospital, Fremont. He was the father of Donald Aiken of Auburn.

Mr. Aiken had been employed as a caretaker at the Camp Pinewood YMCA Camp near Maple Island until his retirement. He was born July 24, 1902 in Garfield Twp., near Fremont.

He married Nellie Inman on June 1, 1928 at White Cloud, Mich. His wife survives.

Also surviving are his son, Donald, two granddaughters and a sister, Mrs. Dulce Hammond, Newaygo, Mich.

His funeral was held last Tuesday in Kroeze Funeral Home with Rev. Richard Ford officiating. He was buried in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Heart Fund.

Lee Allen Ott

Lee Allen Ott, 47, 235 W. Main St., Butler, died Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born July 1, 1931 in Avilla, the son of Harley and Alma (Weimer) Ott. On April 30, 1960, he married the former Nancy Hunt in Antwerp, Ohio. Mr. Ott worked as a foreman for the State Highway Department.

Surviving in addition to his wife and parents are two children, Jeffrey and Cynthia, both at home; three brothers, Paul, Avilla; Harold, Fort Wayne; and Larry, Kendallville; three sisters, Jean Leffel, Kendallville; June Ott, Avilla; and Ruth Ann Seidel, Kendallville.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with the Rev. Dean Bearman of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla, officiating. Burial will be at Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today.

Sophia Clark

Sophia J. Clark, 89, Auburn, died at 7 a.m. today in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola. She had been a patient there since Oct. 7, and was in failing health the past two years.

Mrs. Clark's residence was on West Seventh Street extended, Auburn. She had lived in Auburn since 1927, when she moved from Fort Wayne. Also in 1927, she married Raymond M. Clark, who preceded her in death.

She was born in St. Joseph, Mich. on Dec. 11, 1888. She was a housewife.

Her survivors include one stepson, four stepgrandchildren, two brothers and one sister.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 6 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Tues., October 17, 1978

Ralph W. Humbert

Ralph W. Humbert, 78, 205 E. Fourteenth St., Auburn, died last Saturday at 12:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Humbert was a retired employee of General Electric. He was born in Allen County on August 2, 1900 to the late George and Julia Humbert.

He married Martha Irene DePew in Auburn on Jan. 14, 1923. His wife survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Mabel Eldridge, Auburn; Wilma Scherck, Route 2, Waterloo; Wanita Hisey, Route 3, Wolcottville; and Fern Wilcoxson, Route 4, Auburn; three sisters, Helen Wagner, Amy Jones and Lena Jones, all of Auburn; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Auburn Masonic Lodge.

His funeral was held at 2 p.m. today in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Huntertown.

Raymond Dilgard

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Waterloo Cemetery for Raymond H. Dilgard, 61, who died June 1.

Mr. Dilgard was the son of the late Jay and Ethel Dilgard.

Clarence McClintock

Clarence E. McClintock, 84, died Tuesday in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola, after a four-day illness.

He was a lawyer in Auburn and Waterloo for 50 years, and lived in Waterloo for most of his life. His latest address was Highland Park, Hamilton.

Mr. McClintock was born in Santa Fe, Ind. On Nov. 22, 1945 in Marion, he married Stella E. Mumy, who survives. He is also survived by one son, three daughters and several grandchildren.

Mr. McClintock was a member of the Waterloo Masonic Lodge, associate member of the National Lions Club and the DeKalb County Bar Association, and a former member of the Auburn Rotary Club.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Ray Squibb will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

The Waterloo Masonic Lodge will hold memorial services in the funeral home at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Preferred memorials are to the Fort Wayne Cancer Society.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Thursday.

Harold N. Banta

HAMILTON — Harold N. Banta, 69, died Tuesday morning at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was a lifelong resident of Ball Lake, Route 1, Hamilton.

Mr. Banta was born July 9, 1909 in Noble County, son of the late Earl and Nellie (Holsinger) Banta. He was a retired employee of K & L Sawmill in Fort Wayne.

Surviving are his wife, Clarice; two sons, Paul, Angola, and Robert, Chapman, Kan.; one sister, Mrs. Hazel Claxton, Kendallville; eight grandchildren and seven great-granchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with the Rev. Ray Squibb, pastor of the Hamilton Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the funeral home, where Moose services will be held at 7 p.m. tonight. Mr. Banta was a member of Angola Moose Lodge 1568.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society are preferred.

Roma Hess

Roma A. Hess, 65, 619 S. Indiana Ave., Auburn, died Wednesday at 3:42 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for the past two years and had been hospitalized since Oct. 9.

Mr. Hess was born in Huntington on Oct. 28, 1912 to Louis and Thresa Hess. He retired in Oct. 1977 from the Aero Space Optical Division in Fort Wayne, where he had worked for 37½ years. He had lived in Auburn since 1933.

On Aug. 26, 1933, Mr. Hess married the former Murriel Saunders in Auburn. She survives.

Other survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Robert C. (Marilyn) Delagrange, Carmel, Ind.; three sons, Ronald, Wolcottville; Larry, Chicago; and Dennis, Fort Wayne; three brothers, Gervase, Indianapolis; Leonard, Auburn; and Leon, Fort Wayne; one sister, Mrs. Clair Slick, Auburn, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Immaculate

Nellie R. Wittig

WATERLOO — Nellie R. Wittig, 94, Route 2, Waterloo, died unexpectedly today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was a lifelong resident of the Waterloo-Auburn area.

Mrs. Wittig was born in Smithfield Township on Dec. 10, 1883 to George and Ellen Schuster. She married Clarence G. Wittig on Feb. 28, 1916. He preceded her in death on Mar. 19, 1949.

Surviving are one daugher, Mrs. Clyde (Jean) James, Auburn, four grandchildren, Mrs. Joyce Durst, Auburn; Tom, Fred and Rich James; and two great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Bale Funeral Home with the Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial will be at Cedar Lake Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Rev. Father Herman J. Miller

WATERLOO — Rev. Father Herman J. Miller, 80, Route 2, Waterloo, died Wednesday afternoon at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home, Avilla.

Father Miller was born June 7, 1898 to Frank and Thresa (Zircher) Miller. He retired from the priesthood 10 years ago, after serving 50 years.

Surviving are two brothers, Carl and Bernard, both of Waterloo; and one sister, Agnes, Avilla.

Services for Father Miller will be held at 8 p.m. Friday in Whiting, Ind. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Saturday morning, the body will lie in state from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. at the church with Father Matthew Lange officiating. Burial will be at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery.

The Feller-Graffis Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Blanche Hetrick

Blanche Hetrick, 83, 1315 N. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at her home. Mrs. Hetrick had been in failing health for six months.

She was born in DeKalb County June 24, 1895, the daughter of Stephen and Eva (Houser) McKinley, and lived most of her life in the Woodburn area.

She was married in 1948 in Marshall, Mich., to Clarence Hetrick, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Bonnita Hennessey, Fort Wayne; one son, Dr. Robert James, Greeley, Colo.; one sister, Mrs. Amanda Messmann, Woodburn; and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Hetrick was a member of the First Christian Church, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the North Scipio Church, near Harlan, the Rev. Harold Cline officiating.

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Milo Frain

ST. JOE — Milo Frain, 81, Route 1, St. Joe, died Thursday at 11:05 a.m. in Fountain Manor Nursing Home, Hicksville, Ohio. He had been in failing health for two years and a patient at the nursing home for one week.

Mr. Frain retired 16 years ago from Fruehauf Trailer Co. He was born in LaGrange County on March 27, 1897. He moved to the DeKalb County area in 1941.

He is survived by his wife, Beatrice, whom he married on April 16, 1926.

Also surviving are a son, Walter Frain, Fort Wayne; three grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was a member of Moose Lodge 200, Fort Wayne.

His funeral will be Saturday at 3:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. John Paul Hill will officiate. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, near St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 o'clock this evening.

Correction

Services for Nellie R. Wittig will be held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Mrs. Wittig was 84 years of age, not 94 as reported Thursday. A surviving grandson, Rick James, was incorrectly identified.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Wittig will be Arlo King, Oscar Deetz, Randy Deetz, Monroe Bailey, Larry Biggerstaff, Bruce Curry and Keith Turner.

No Obituary on Sat., October 21, 1978

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Marguerite Littlejohn

BUTLER — Marguerite G. Littlejohn, 65, died Saturday at 6:50 a.m. in Butler Hotel Rest Home. She had been at the home since Oct. 4.

She had previously lived on Route 1, Butler, where she moved in 1949.

Mrs. Littlejohn was born in Paulding County, Ohio on Aug. 14, 1913 to the late LeRoy and Mary (Ganger) Haney. On March 4, 1937 in Detroit, she was married to Forrest Littlejohn, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James, Auburn, and Sam, rural LaOtto; three daughters, Mrs. Joyce Porter, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Judy Lash, Pioneer, O.; and Jonetta Houser, Butler; two brothers, Delbert and Charles Haney of Paulding, Ohio; three sisters; Mrs. Lavada Parrish, Mrs. Edith Whirrett and Mrs. Betty Eagleson, all of Paulding, Ohio; and 10 grandchildren.

Her funeral was at 1 p.m. today in the Butler United Methodist Church, where she was a member. Rev. Ross Richey officiated. Burial was in Butler Cemetery.

Chad Allen Shutt

HELMER — Chad Allen Shutt, 3-day-old son of Ed and Loretta (Black) Shutt, Helmer, died at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors besides the parents are grandparents, Barbara Shutt, Route 1, Corunna; Louis Shutt, Ashley; Bertha Black, Butler; and Hubert Black, Butler.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Fairfield Cemetery, Route 1, Corunna, with Rev. Robert Staup of the United Brethren Church, Hudson, officiating.

The Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, is in charge of arrangements.

Ralph Stuller

BUTLER — Ralph H. Stuller, 69, 243 W. Main St., Butler, died Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was a lifetime resident of the area, and was retired from his post as manager of Knisely Men's Wear in Butler.

Mr. Stuller was born July 12, 1909 in Steuben County, the son of William Henry and Bertha (Lowe) Stuller. On April 17, 1976 in Butler, he married the former Ella Nash, who survives.

Other survivors are one stepdaughter, Janine Nash, at home; one brother, Bernard, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Bernice Reed, Butler.

Services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with Rev. Steven Archer officiating. Burial will be at the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today. An Eagles memorial service will be held at 7 o'clock tonight.

Harry Rowe

GARRETT — Harry C. "Pood" Rowe, 83, a former Garrett resident, died Monday at 1:15 p.m. in the home of his daughter at Dyer, Ind.

Mr. Rowe retired in 1966 from his post as a ticket agent for the B&O Railroad. He lived at 1301 S. Randolph St., Garrett, before moving to live with his daughter. He was born in Garrett on Feb. 5, 1895 to the late Cornelius and Lilly (Miller) Rowe.

He married the former Amy M. Fish in Garrett on Oct. 11, 1916. His wife survives along with two daughters, Mrs. Arthur Paquin, Dyer, Ind.; and Mrs. Helen Moss, Angola.

He was a member of the Masons and the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Services will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, with the Rev. Ronald Bowman officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, where Masonic services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Geneva Schemehorn

FORT WAYNE — Geneva J. Schemehorn, 65, 119 E. Hoover Dr., Fort Wayne, died Sunday at Lutheran Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Jack, one daughter and one sister, all of Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials should be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Dale D. Smith

WATERLOO — Dale D. Smith, 70, of Waterloo Mobile Home Park, died this morning at Garrett Community Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past two weeks.

Mr. Smith was born Sept. 1, 1908 in Auburn, the son of LeRoy M. and Jessie L. (Brown) Smith. He was a retired employee of Cooper Industrial Products Co., Auburn.

Surviving are three brothers, Lloyd V., Waterloo; Kenneth O., Butler; and John L., Auburn; and one sister, Mrs. Donzella Conkle, Auburn.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Butler Church of Christ, K of P Lodge in Auburn and DOKKA Domain of Indiana.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, with David Beard officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home, where a K of P memorial service will be held at 7:30 p.m.

Ronald Ranney

FREMONT — Ronald Dale Ranney, 66, an Auburn native, died Tuesday at 11:30 p.m. in Cameron Hospital, Angola. He had been ill one week and hospitalized since Oct. 18.

Mr. Ranney was a retiree of Cooper Industrial Products, Auburn, where he worked for 13 years. He made his home on Route 4, Fremont.

He was born in Auburn on Nov. 20, 1911 to the late James E. and Mary (Thompson) Ranney. He married Vera Haywood on March 17, 1943. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Ronald of Texas and James of Ashley; a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Christie) Heiman, Garrett; a stepson, David Porter, Butler; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Dale (Ruth Ann) Weilbaker, Auburn; a brother, Lloyd Ranney, Auburn; a sister, Ismay Sands, of Texas; and 14 grandchildren.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Darold Beck, pastor of Angola Assembly of God, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

No Obituary on Thur., October 26, 1978

Audra Parsell

HAMILTON — Audra M. Parsell, 86, Hamilton, died Wednesday in Carlin Park Nursing Home.

Born July 11, 1892 in Butler, she was the daughter of Grant and Mary Melissa Chilcote. She married Ward Parsell May 4, 1968. He survives.

Mrs. Parsell was a lifetime area resident and was retired from Auburn Clutch (Dana Corp.). She was a member of Eastern Star No. 403, Hamilton; Pythian Sisters; a charter member of Franklin Extension Homemakers Club; Farm Bureau of DeKalb County; and United Methodist Church of Hamilton.

Survivors besides the husband are two stepdaughters, Mrs. Harold (Pauline) Curry and Mrs. Clark (Willa) Forrest, both of Route 1, Waterloo; one stepson, Glenn Parsell, Ashley; two sisters, Mrs. Claude (Alice) Houlton, Hamilton; and Mrs. Shirley (Mary) Hamman, Venice, Fla.; and one brother, Carl Chilcote, Auburn.

Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibb officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

There will be an Eastern Star service at 7 p.m. tonight.

Harold Nichols

BUTLER — Harold L. Nichols, 61, 324 W. Main St., Butler, died Thursday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past eight months.

Mr. Nichols was born Sept. 10, 1917 in DeKalb County, the son of Paul and Ruth (Wise) Nichols. His mother survives. On Nov. 28, 1942 in Waterloo, he married the former Lucila Hollinger, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Linda Everetts, Butler; and Mrs. Cathy Cornelius, Auburn; one son, Robert D., Leo; two brothers, Keith, Fort Wayne; and Raney, Bryan, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Rigelman, Montpelier, Ohio; and Mrs. Jeanette Wehrle, Fort Wayne; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Nichols was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church, the American Legion, and the Butler Lions and Eagles Clubs.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler with the Rev. Ross Richey officiating. Burial will be at Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Sat., October 28, 1978

Harold Nichols

BUTLER — The family of Harold L. Nichols, 61, who died Thursday following a lengthy illness, has requested that memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or the Butler United Methodist Church.

Friends may call at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler after 2 p.m. today. Services will be held at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Sunday.

G. Thomas Bond

LIGONIER — G. Thomas Bond, 56, Noble and LaGrange Counties' Federal Housing Administration supervisor, died Friday afternoon at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Bond, of Route 2, Wolcottville, was born July 6, 1922 in Fort Wayne, where he lived until five years ago. On March 3, 1973, he married the former Margaret Hunter in Ligonier. She survives.

Mr. Bond was a member of the United Methodist Church of Frankfort; the Purdue Agriculture Alumni Association; Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers Association; and the Moose Lodge in LaGrange. He was also a Navy veteran of World War II.

Other survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Jean Durnell, Pleasant Lake; Mrs. Kathy Greiter, Wolcottville; and Mrs. Patty Simonton, Butler; three step-sons, Jerry Hunter, Toledo, Ohio; Philip and Nelson Hunter, both of Ligonier; three step-daughters, Mrs. Janet Wolff, St. Joseph, Mich.; Mrs. Nena Baker, Bristol; and Mrs. Marilyn Eash, Ligonier; one brother Ralph, of Washington state; one sister, Mrs. Opal Carper, Fort Wayne; and 25 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Ligonier United Methodist Church with the Rev. William Luttrull of ficiating. Burial will be at Oak Park Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Ulrey Funeral Home in Ligonier from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. today.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

No Obituary on Mon., October 30, 1978

The Evening Star, Tues., October 31, 1978

George R. Ocker

BUTLER — George R. Ocker, 73, 148 W. Oak St., Butler, died Monday at 3 p.m. in Hicksville Community Hospital. He had been a patient there for one week.

Mr. Ocker was credit manager at the Butler Company. He was born in Steuben County on Nov. 5, 1904. On Oct. 13, 1940 he married Pat Hamman, who survives. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Dorothy Sherman, Kendallville.

Mr. Ocker was a member of the Butler Eagles lodge.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. David Beard will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Weds.,November 1, 1978

Joseph Bobo

ASHLEY — Joseph L. Bobo, 65, Route 1, Ashley, died Tuesday at 5:18 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for the past three weeks, and was hospitalized Oct. 20.

Mr. Bobo was born on April 7, 1913 in Stewart, Tenn., the son of William and Buelah (Lockart) Bobo. He had lived in the area since moving from Detroit 2½ years ago. He was a retired employee of the Adams Welding Co., Detroit.

Mr. Bobo is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James (Bridgett) Robinson, Marietta, Ga.; a niece, Mrs. Edward (Betty) Kuta, Ashley; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of Detroit Craft Lodge 576 F&AM, DeKalb Lodge 214 F&AM, and was a journeyman welder.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Nave Funeral Home in Erin, Tenn. with the Rev. H. C. Beasley officiating.

Friends may call after 7 p.m. Thursday at the Tennessee funeral home. Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of local arrangements.

The Evening Star, Thur.,November 2, 1978

Harry John Miller

WINTER GARDEN, Fla. — Harry John Miller, 88, a former Auburn area farmer, died Tuesday at West Orange Manor in Winter Garden, Fla. He moved from Auburn to Florida in 1968.

Mr. Miller lived at 122 E. Division St. in Winter Garden. He was born in Auburn on Aug. 8, 1890. His wife, Leona, preceded him in death in 1932.

He is survived by a son, Paul B. Miller, Orlando, Fla.; a daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Baumgartner, Florence, Oregon; five grandchildren and three great-granddaughters.

He was a member of the Farm Bureau in Indiana and Florida.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Carroll McNutt, pastor of the Indian Village Church of God, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Harvey E. Hjelm

GARRETT — Harvey E. Hjelm, 81, 100 N. Taylor Rd., Garrett, died this morning at Garrett Community Hospital, where he had been a patient since Oct. 19.

Mr. Hjelm was born June 3, 1898 in Chesterton, Ind., the son of Swen and Louisa Hjelm. He married the former Clara H. Howard, who survives.

Mr. Hjelm was a retired farmer and a member of the Bible Baptist Church in Auburn.

Surviving are two sons, William, of Garrett and Harvey Jr. of Fort Collins, Colo.; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Louise) Mawhorter, Cincinnati, Ohio; seven grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Bible Baptist Church with the Rev. Wayne E. Smith officiating. Burial will be at Cosperville Cemetery in Wawaka.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Friday at the McKee Funeral home in Garrett and after 12 noon Saturday at the church.

John Gibson

PORTLAND, Ind. — John H. Gibson, 64, Route 4, Portland, died Thursday at his home following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Gibson was born May 22, 1914 in Auglaize County, Ohio, and was a retired factory worker. He married the former Idora Moore, who survives.

Other survivors are one son, Jack, of Hamilton; one daughter, Patricia Gibson, of Portland; two brothers; four sisters; and two grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home in Portland. Burial will be at Gravel Hill Cemetery in Bryant, Ind.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The family has requested that memorials be made to the Jay County Cancer Fund.

The Evening Star, Sat.,November 4, 1978

M. Dororthy McEntarfer

M. Dorothy McEntarfer, 83, died at 10:40 p.m. Friday in the DeKalb Memorial hospital.

Born Oct. 31, 1895, in Vincennes, she was a resident of the Lamplighter in Kendallville for the past two years. Mrs. McEmtarfer had been a resident of Waterloo prior to moving to the Lamplighter.

She was the wife of Henry McEntarfer, who died in 1954. Seven sister also preceded her in death.

Survivors include three nieces and nephews all of Waterloo.

Service will be in the Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. Monday with Monsieur Leo Huffmann officiating.

Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Rosary will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Darrell Thompson

Darrell (Buck) Thompson, 62, 614 E. Hill St., Garrett, died Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a three-year illness. He had been a patient in the hospital 10 days.

Born, Sept. 27, 1916, in Garrett, he was the son of Grover and Mable (Burnett) Thompson. He married his wife Gladys in Kendallville in July of 1936. She survives.

Mr. Thompson was a lifelong resident of Garrett and worked as a conductor on the B&O Railroad until his illness.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge, the Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, and the First Church of Christ.

Other survivors include one son, Darrell Thompson, Fort Wayne; three daughters, Norma Jean Smolek, Merom; Bette Vauris, Auburn; Joan Fuller, Garrett; one sister, Maxine Penland, San Diego, Calif.; eight grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in the Baidienger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, at 10:30 a.m. Monday with Rev. Charles Dickerson officiating.

Burial will be in the Christian

George B. Schewe

George B. Schewe, 67, died on Nov. 3 at 11:30 p.m. in Riverdale, Ga., where he was living. He had lived in Garrett most of his life.

He was born in Illinois on Sept. 5, 1911 to Frank and Jane Schewe. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Lee, Illinois; Mrs. Wayne (Terry) Rowe, Auburn; and Miss Lisa Schewe, Riverdale, Ga.; two sons, George Jr. and Albert E., Riverdale, Ga.; a stepson, James Koch, New Orleans, La.; two brothers, Albert, Riverton, Ill., and Hank, Springfield, Ill.; a sister, Mrs. Ted (Dorothy) Kahn, Chaska, Minn.; 13 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mr. Schewe, a World War II veteran, was a member of the Garrett VFW.

His funeral will be in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Richard L. Wall of the First Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

James Monroe

ST. JOE — Word has been received here of the death of James Monroe, 58, Overland Park, Kansas, who died suddenly Saturday in Kansas.

Mr. Monroe was a graduate of St. Joe High School.

He is survived by his wife, one son, one daughter, his father, Vernie Monroe; his stepmother, Marguerite Monroe, formerly of Auburn, and now residing in Garrett; one sister, Nancy Smith, Auburn; one brother, William, of Lake Wawasee.

His funeral will be held Tuesday at Overland Park, Kansas.

M. Dororthy McEntarfer

M. Dorothy McEntarfer, 83, died at 10:40 p.m. Friday in the DeKalb Memorial hospital.

Born Oct. 31, 1895, in Vincennes, she was a resident of the Lamplighter in Kendallville for the past two years. Mrs. McEmtarfer had been a resident of Waterloo prior to moving to the Lamplighter.

She was the wife of Henry McEntarfer, who died in 1954. Seven sister also preceded her in death.

Survivors include three nieces and nephews all of Waterloo.

Service will be in the Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. Monday with Monsieur Leo Huffmann officiating.

Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Darrell Thompson

Darrell (Buck) Thompson, 62, 614 E. Hill St., Garrett, died Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a three-year illness. He had been a patient in the hospital 10 days.

Born, Sept. 27, 1916, in Garrett, he was the son of Grover and Mable (Burnett) Thompson. He married his wife Gladys in Kendallville in July of 1936. She survives.

Mr. Thompson was a lifelong resident of Garrett and worked as a conductor on the B&O Railroad until his illness.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge, the Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, and the First Church of Christ.

Other survivors include one son, Darrell Thompson, Fort Wayne; three daughters, Norma Jean Smolek, Merom; Bette Vauris, Auburn; Joan Fuller, Garrett; one sister, Maxine Penland, San Diego, Calif.; eight grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in the Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

The family prefers memorials be given the the heart or cancer fund.

Dora Carnahan

BUTLER — Dora Carnahan, 85, Route 2, Auburn, died Friday at Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler, following an illness of the past two years.

Miss Carnahan was born Oct. 16, 1893 in DeKalb County, and had lived here all her life. She was the daughter of Harry and Martha Ann (Freeman) Carnahan.

Surviving are one brother, Ray, Route 2, Auburn and one sister, Mrs. Frank (Inez) Dosch, Route 3, Auburn.

Miss Carnahan was a member of the Hopewell United Brethern in Christ Church, WTCU, Christian Endeavor International, and the Women's Missionary Association.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Hopewell Church, with the Rev. Howard Cherry officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Child Evangelism Fellowship or the Church Building Fund.

Lucille Yates

BUTLER — Lucille Yates, 73, 502 Western Ave., Butler, died Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born Nov. 2, 1905 in Concord Township, DeKalb County. On April 19, 1924, she married Lester Yates, who preceded her in death in 1956.

Surviving are three sons, Jack, Fort Wayne; Charles, Butler; and Russell, Belleville, Ill.; one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Zimmerman, Butler; three brothers, Clayton Baker, St. Joe; Harold Baker, Auburn; Eugene Baker, Waterloo; one sister, Naomi Draggoo, Osseo, Mich.; 17 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Yates was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with the Rev. Ross Richey officiating. Burial will be at Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Adam S. Kobiela

GARRETT — Adam S. Kobiela, 75, died Sunday at 7 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital from 10-year heart disease. The lifelong Garrett resident lived at 318 S. Guilford St.

He was born on Oct. 21, 1903 to John and Laoma Kobiela, and on Aug. 26, 1936 in Auburn, he married Rachel Rice, who survives.

He is also survived by two sons, John P. and Thomas M. of Garrett; a daughter, Mrs. Carl Fosnaugh, Garrett; a sister, Mrs. Marian Kobiela, Garrett; and seven grandchildren. Mr. Kobiela was a member of the Holy Name and Harvest House Societies at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Garrett.

He 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. Joseph Church. The Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate. A rosary vigil wilwxheld at 7:v..Y-McKee Funeral Home.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m Monday. Burial will be in CuCemetery in Garrett.

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Lisa Patee

Lisa Rene Patee, daughter of Richard and Vickie (Hursey) Patee, Route 3, Kendallville, was stillborn at 8:15 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital.

Survivors besides the parents are the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Warren Hursey, Route 1, Kendallville; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Patee, Auburn.

Services are pending at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home.

Lillian G. Martin

GARRETT — Lillian G. Martin, 77, 210 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died late Monday at the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla, where she had been a resident since Sept. 30.

Mrs. Martin was born Sept. 8, 1901 in Chicago, the daughter of William and Wilhelmina (Damrow) Gehring. On Dec. 1, 1928, she married Charles Martin. He died in 1965.

Mrs. Martin had lived in Garrett for the past 46 years and was a retired secretary to the chief clerk of the B&O Railroad in Garrett.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Roy (Dorothy) Williams, Garrett; two step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Ronald Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call between 6 and 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Mary Jo Steward

GARRETT — Mary Jo Steward, 50, Route 1, Garrett, died Tuesday enroute to Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Steward was born April 1, 1928, the daughter of Phillip and Vernie (Housel) Cool. Her mother survives.

Mrs. Steward had lived in the area for the past 17 years, and worked as a switchboard operator at Garrett Community Hospital.

She married Ralph E. Steward in Auburn on Sept. 24, 1960. He survives

Mrs. Steward was a member of the Altar Star United Methodist Church, Cedar Chapel.

Private services will be held at the church at 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Marilyn Bales officiating. Burial will be at Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Thursday at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn, and from noon until 2 p.m. Friday at the church.

Clarence Hagan

ARGOS, Ind. — W. Clarence Hagan, 77, of Argos, Ind., died Tuesday at Parkview Hospital in Plymouth, Ind., following an illness of the past five months.

He is the father of Maury Hagan, plant manager of Dana Corporation in Auburn.

Services will be held at the Argus Congregational Christian Church at 11 a.m. Thursday. Burial will be at New Oak Hill Cemetery in Argos.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the Grossman Funeral Home in Argos and at the church one hour before services on Thursday.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Argos Congregational Christian Church.

Lisa R. Pattee

Graveside services for Lisa Rene Patee will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in Lake View Cemetery, with Rev. Ellis Sedlacek of the Nazarene Church, officiating.

Lisa, the daughter of Richard and Vickie (Hursey) Patee, Route 3, Kendallville, was stillborn Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Friends may call at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, from 9-10 a.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thur., November 9, 1978

Elizabeth Wilderson

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Elizabeth (Betty) Wilderson, 70, 117 S. Main St., Hicksville, died Wednesday at Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient for the past two weeks.

Miss Wilderson was born Oct. 17, 1908 in Hicksville, the daughter of George and Bada (Robinett) Wilderson. She was a school teacher in Hicksville and worked for General Electric in Fort Wayne.

She was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church and the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Surviving are one brother, George Wilderson, of Hicksville, nieces and cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Brown Funeral Home with the Rev. George Campbell officiating. Burial will be at Forest Home Cemetery.

Friends may call after 7 p.m. Thursday and after 9 a.m. Friday at the funeral home.

No Obituaries on Fri., Sat., November 10 & 11, 1978

Ada G. Strock

HUDSON — Ada G. Strock, 93, Hudson, died Saturday at 10:40 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born Oct. 3, 1884, Hudson, she was the daughter of Joseph and Frances (Grieves) Ketchum. She married Frank T. Strock March 20, 1906 in Hudson. He preceded her in death April 1, 1978.

Mrs. Strock was a lifetime Hudson resident and a member of the Hudson United Methodist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Paul W. Strock, Hudson; and Carl Strock, Angola; one grandson and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral was today at 2 p.m. in the Hudson United Methodist Church with Rev. Arthur Givens, pastor of the church, officiating.

Burial was in Circle Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Hudson United Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

The Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, was in charge of arrangements.

Howard R. Unger

Howard Rhein Unger, 35, a former Auburn resident, died Saturday at 1:30 a.m. in Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.

Mr. Unger was organist and choir director at Auburn Immaculate Conception Church. He also organized and directed a string orchestra for local youths. He was a music teacher in the Angola school system from 1972-78.

He had lived in Peru since his illness, but formerly lived at 200 N. McClellan St., Auburn.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Unger, Peru, and a half-brother.

His funeral Mass will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Charles Catholic Church, Peru. Rev. Richard W. Puetz and Msgr. Leo A. Hoffmann will officiate.

Friends may call tonight at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home in Peru, where a Rosary service will be held at 8:30 p.m.

Harry Porter

STROH — Harry C. Porter, 86, Stroh, died at 9:40 a.m. Sunday at his residence following an illness of three months.

Born in Wauseon, Ohio, Jan. 3, 1892, he was the son of Charles and Sarah (Stutzman) Porter. He married Viola Jane Warner March 27, 1913 in Wauseon. She survives.

Mr. Porter was a retired employee of Kendallville Foundry and a retired farmer. He was a member of the Stroh Church of God.

Survivors besides the wife are five daughters, Mrs. M.D. (Edna) Elston, Auburndale, Fla.; Mrs. Vaughn (Esther) McClish, Garrett; Mrs. Edward (Audry) King and Mrs. Charles (Bertha) Sprouse, both of Stroh; and Mrs. Ray (Betty) Humes, Bald Knob, Ark.; three sons, Clarence Porter, Stroh; Chester Porter, New Castle; and Michael Fuller, Shipshewana; five sisters, Mrs. Floyd (Mary) Munsell, Hudson, Mich.; Mrs. Charles (Verta) Strand, Morenci, Mich.; Mrs. Jack (Alice) Creighton, Saginaw, Mich.; Mrs. Guy (Dora) Freeman, Auburn; and Mrs. Harry (Stella) Pfound, Tedron, Ohio; three brothers, George Porter, Auburn; Marvin Porter, Gladwin, Mich.; and Frank Porter, Texas; 29 grandchildren; one stepgrandchild; 53 great-grandchildren; and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

Three children preceded him in death.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Stroh Church of God, with Rev. Paul Register and Rev. Carter Cummins officiating.

Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the Frurip-May Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday and after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

The Evening Star, Tues., November 14, 1978

Veronica Gingery

GARRETT — Veronica C. Gingery, 80, 300 S. Hampsher St., Garrett, died Monday night at Fort Wayne Healthcare Center.

Mrs. Gingery was born May 15, 1898 in Garrett, the daughter of Michael and Mary Krus. She was married to Laird M. Gingery, who preceded her in death in 1946.

Mrs. Gingery was the owner and operator of Gingery Department Store in Garrett.

Surviving are one brother, Frank Krus, Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. B. A. Johnson, Garrett, and Mrs. Helen Rothwell, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Gingery was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic church and the Rosary Society.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery.

A rosary vigil service will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, where calling will be after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Catherine Tubbs

HUDSON — Catherine (Fretz) Tubbs, 55, Route 1, Pleasant Lake, died at 4:45 a.m. today in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, following an illness of three months. She had been hospitalized the past 2½ weeks.

Born July 16, 1923 in Waterloo, she was the daughter of Russell and Gladys (Kryder) Fretz. She was raised from infancy by Mrs. Margaret Hill, Waterloo. She married Carl Fay Tubbs Aug. 1, 1941. He survives.

Mr. Tubbs had been a lifetime area resident.

Survivors besides the husband are one daughter, Karen Tubbs, at home; two sons, Roger Tubbs, Route 1, Hudson; and Kevin Tubbs, Route 1, Pleasant Lake; one sister, Mrs. Charles (Marietta) Stinson, Fort Wayne; one brother, Bryon Fretz, Hudson; and two grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the Hudson United Brethren Church with Rev. Robert W. Staup officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Rosa Muesing

Mrs. Rosa Smith Muesing, 95, a native of Kendallville and a resident of Kendallville 73 years, died at 12:20 a.m. Tuesday in the Colonial Crest Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient two years. She had been in failing health three years.

Mrs. Muesing was born Sept. 3, 1883, in Kendallville, the daughter of John and Fredericka (Witt) Fritz, and was married in 1901 to Jesse Smith. He died in 1940. In 1943 she married William Muesing, who died in 1965.

Mrs. Muesing was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, Kendallville and was also a member of the Ladies Aid Society of the church.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Josephine Strang, Marshall, Mich., and Mrs. Jessie Haynes, Auburn; four sons, Russel Smith of Auburn, Harold Smith of Kendallville, Robert Smith, Garrett, and Howard Smith, Kansas City, Mo.; two brothers, Albert Fritz, Kendallville, and Charles Fritz, Fort Wayne; 16 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

One daughter, in addition to the two husbands, preceded Mrs. Muesing in death.

The body has been returned to Kendallville to the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, where friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with Rev. Kenneth J. Gerike, pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials may be made to Child Evangelism, Auburn.

Don Snowberger

ASHLEY — Graveside services for Don Snowberger, who died at 12:15 p.m. Monday in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Danville, Ill., will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Swank-Sprankle Funeral Home, Ashley, from 6-9 p.m. tonight.

Ferdinand Spornhauer

HUDSON — Ferdinand Edwin Spornhauer, 82, Route 2, Hudson, died Wednesday at 6 a.m. in the Garrett Community Hospital.

Born Oct. 3, 1917 in Muncie, he was the son of Peter and Rebecah (Tref) Spornhauer. He married Hildred E. Humbert Oct. 3, 1917 in Muncie. She preceded him in death Nov. 25, 1976.

Mr. Spornhauer, a native of Fort Recovery, Ohio, had lived in the Hudson area most of his life. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the West Fairfield Zion Lutheran Church.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Paul (Marcelia) Beltz, Fort Wayne; two sons, Theodore E. Spornhauer, Saudi, Arabia; and J. Darrell Spornhauer, Route 2, Hudson; one sister, Mrs. Clarence (Elva) Moser, Muncie; one brother, Leo Spornhauer, Bronson, Mich.; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the West Fairfield Zion Lutheran Church, with Rev. Theodore Klees officiating.

Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, after 2 p.m. Friday.

Herman Diederich

GARRETT — Herman W. Diederich, 80, 908½ W. King St., died this morning at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since Nov. 10.

Mr. Diederich was born Oct. 24, 1898 in Michlenburg, Germany, the son of Charles and Lena (Michael) Diederich. On Aug. 20, 1927, he married the former Ida L. Meyer in Crete, Ill. She preceded him in death in 1973.

He had lived in Garrett for the past 18 years and was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett.

Surviving are one brother, Fred Diederich, and one sister, Emma Nott, both of Garrett.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Friday and until noon Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett.

Preferred memorials are to the Church Building Fund.

Kenneth Heffley

WATERLOO — Kenneth N. Heffley, 72, Route 2, Auburn, died Wednesday afternoon at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past four days.

Mr. Heffley was born Aug. 9, 1906, the son of Newman and Nora (Buttermore) Heffley. He was a lifelong DeKalb County farmer. On May 30, 1926, he married the former Ruth Snyder in Hillsdale, Mich. She survives.

Other survivors are one son, Larry, Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Donna Donaldson, Waterloo; two brothers, Ralph, Auburn, and Ray, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Savanah Funk, Waterloo; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home. Rev. Ken Spencer of the Norris Chapel Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home, where a Masonic Lodge memorial service will be held at 7 o'clock Thursday.

Virginia Leverenz

Virginia E. Leverenz, 67, 810 Hawthorne Court, Auburn, died Tuesday at 6 a.m. in her home. At her own request, funeral services were private, with Rev. Lloyd Bickel of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. She was buried today at Woodlawn Cemetery, following private services at 11 a.m.

Mrs. Leverenz was the daughter of Fred and Ida Winter, who operated a grocery store on Maumee Avenue, Fort Wayne, early in this century.

She was the wife of the Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Leverenz, retired Army Chaplain and formerly Professor of German in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He survives, along with one daughter, Mrs. Edward W. (Virginia Ann) Doenges of Fort Wayne, her husband, and three grandsons, David, Daniel and Joseph; and one sister, LaVerne Winter of Ormond Beach, Fla., formerly of Fort Wayne.

As an "Army wife," Mrs. Leverenz lived in Panama, Japan and Germany and in ten U.S. states before retiring to Auburn in 1974.

Memorials will be given to the Trinity Lutheran Church Bell Tower Fund.

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Leo A. Schlosser

WATERLOO — Leo A. Schlosser, 70, Route 2, Waterloo, died at 6 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past two weeks.

Mr. Schlosser was born in Smithfield Township on April 7, 1908, the son of Frank and Louise (Pfefferkorn) Schlosser. He was a lifetime DeKalb County farmer.

Surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Germaine Hollis, Garrett; Mrs. Minnie Hollis, Garrett; Mrs. Helen Frick, Waterloo; and Mrs. Kathryn Dunn, Waterloo; and one brother, Ed, Waterloo.

Mr. Schlosser was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, north of Waterloo.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Father Matthew Lange officiating. Burial will be in St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Sunday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo, where Rosary services will be held at 8 p.m. Sunday.

Roy S. Moughler

BUTLER — Roy S. Moughler, 72, died Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in Angola's Carlin Nursing Home. He was a four-year patient there, and had been a lifelong Butler resident.

Mr. Moughler was a retired state highway worker and former city employee.

He is survived by his wife, Hilda Searfoss, of Butler. Also surviving are a son; Wayne, Ossian, Ind.; two daughters, Rutheda Overholser, Elkhart, Ind., and Gloria Phelps, Hamilton; a brother, Ray, Butler; and six grandchildren. His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. Dennis Kutzner will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 3-9 p.m. today.

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Leona C. Miller

GARRETT — Leona C. Miller, 78, Route 1, Garrett, died Thursday in Garrett Community Hospital. Death was due to a heart condition. She had been hospitalized since Nov. 4.

Mrs. Miller was a lifetime resident of rural Garrett. She was born in Garrett on Nov. 6, 1900. She was a housewife, and the wife of the late Oswald F. Miller. They were married in Garrett on July 31, 1923, and he preceded her in death on May 18, 1971.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Collins Redmond, Route 1, Garrett; Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Lynnwood, Wash.; and Mrs. James Bonkoski, Garrett; two sons, John J. Miller, Arlington, Va. and William C. Miller, Waterloo; one sister, Sister Mary Cecilia Poluszak, Dayton, Ohio; 15 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Rosary Society.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church. Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at McKee Funeral Home, where a rosary service will be held at 8 p.m.

Harvey H. Frain

Harvey H. Frain, 57, 908 W. Twentieth St., Auburn, died Thursday at 2:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for the past three weeks.

Mr. Frain was born Aug. 2, 1921, the son of Andrew and Jennie (Wiseman) Crampton. His mother survives. On Jan. 22, 1949, he married the former Ida Mae Fee in Newport, Ky. She also survives.

One brother, John Frain, 1524 Urban Ave., Auburn, also survives. Three brothers and one sister preceded Mr. Frain in death.

He was a past employee of the Dana Corporation and had lived in Auburn for 30 years. He was a member of the Auburn Moose, Auburn American Legion Post 97 and the Garrett Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a World War II veteran.

Funeral and military services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn. Rev. Carroll McNutt of the Indian Village Church of God will officiate. Burial will be at Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call after 5 p.m. today at the funeral home, where Moose services will be held at 7:30 tonight.

Delbert Mock

BUTLER — Delbert Mock, 70, Route 4, Bryan, Ohio, died Saturday at a nursing home in Bainbridge, Ga., where he had been a resident for the past six months.

Mr. Mock was born Jan. 23, 1908 in Butler, the son of Earl and Dessie (Krontz) Mock. On May 26, 1928, he married the former Edna Williams in Auburn. She preceded him in death in 1972.

Surviving are three sons, Hubert D., Seattle, Wash.; Albert L., Bainbridge, Ga.; and Gerald, Bryan, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. Helen Carpenter, Grant, N.M.; Mrs. Carolyn Miller, Bainbridge, Ga.; two brothers, Roy, Butler; and Earl, Orlando, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Ruby Merson, Butler; and Mrs. Dessie Kramer, Edgerton, Ohio; 27 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. David Beard of the Butler Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be at the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Charles F. Kretz

Charles F. Kretz, 53, 254 S. Division St., Auburn, died Saturday in Mexico City, Mexico. Mr. Kretz was found dead in his hotel room at about 2:30 p.m. He was in Mexico on business for Dana Corporation.

Mr. Kretz was maintenance supervisor at Dana Corporation in Auburn, where he had worked for 26 years. He had lived in Auburn since 1946, moving from Kansas.

He was born in Kendallville on June 25, 1925. His parents were the late Ernest Kretz and Elsie (Speck) Kretz, who survives at Crooked Lake, Angola.

He married Mary Ann Quance in Auburn on Dec. 6, 1947. She survives. Also surviving are four children, Mrs. John (Cindy) Morningstar, Todd Kretz, and Mrs. John (Charlene) Friedel, all of Auburn, and Tracy, at home; and one grandson, Taitem.

He served in the Seabees during World War II and in the Navy during the Korean War. He was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church and the Auburn American Legion post.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Bale Funeral Home.

The Evening Star, Mon., November 20, 1978

Anna R. Smith

GARRETT — Anna R. Smith, 71, Route 1, Waterloo, died Sunday at 7:40 p.m. in Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton. She had been ill for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Smith was born Oct. 23, 1907, in Grant County, Ind., the daughter of John and Zoma (Wolff) Radabaugh. On Oct. 22, 1927, she married Ray Smith in Angola. He survives.

Mrs. Smith was a retired draftsman with the Tokheim Corporation.

Other survivors are three daughters, Mary Lou Trainer, Garrett; Margaret Ellen Muzzillo, Wabash; and Elnora Myers, Greenfield, Ind.; two sisters, Dora Mack, Bryan, Ohio; and Dona Shultz, Grabill; and 13 grandchildren.

She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Garrett, and O.E.S. Harmony Chapter in Garrett.

Funeral services will be at the church at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Allen T. Reed officiating. Burial will be at Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville and from 11 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Eastern Star services will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Presbyterian Church in Garrett.

Philomena Conner

GARRETT — Philomena Conner, 73, 210½ W. King St., died Sunday at 1:18 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient since Nov. 14. She had been in failing heath for several years and died of a heart condition.

Mrs. Conner was born June 14, 1905 in Olney, Ill., the daughter of John and Hattie (English) Brassier. In 1924, she married Benjamin F. Conner, who preceded her in death in 1962.

She had been a Garrett resident for the past 17 years.

Surviving are three sons, William H. Sherwood, Garrett; Oliver I. Conner, Swansboro, N.C.; and Benjamin F. Conner, Hamilton, Mich.; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. Rev. Adam Schmitt of St. Joseph Catholic Church will officiate. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

No Obituary on Tues., November 21, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., November 22, 1978

Grace Davis

Grace Davis, West Ninth Street, Auburn, died at 3 a.m. today. Funeral arrangements are pending at Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. No further details were available at press time.

No Obituary on Thur., November 23, 1978

The Evening Star, Fri., November 24, 1978

Grace Davis

Grace A. Davis, 75, 343 W. Ninth St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 3:15 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient there for six weeks.

Mrs. Davis was retired from The Evening Star, where she had been an employee for over 30 years. She was a lifetime resident of DeKalb County, where she was born June 9, 1903 to the late Stella (Hay) and George W. Carper. Her husband, Russell L. Davis, preceded her in death on Jan. 22, 1963.

Survivors include five children, Mrs. Richard (Pauline) Sanderson, 602 Green Haven Terrace, Auburn; Walter Davis, Route 2, Waterloo; Lowell Davis, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Cora Mae Parker, Fort Wayne; and Bill Little, Milford, Ind.; a brother, Emmet Carper, Route 1, Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Helen I. Funk, North Van Buren Street, Auburn; 12 grandchildren ad eight great-grandchildren. Five brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn Moose Lodge and Ladies Auxiliary of the Auburn American Legion Post.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate.

The Evening Star, Sat., November 25, 1978

Nora M. Kerns

WATERLOO — Nora M. Kerns, 83, 180 Lockhart St., Waterloo, died at 6:30 a.m. today at Cameron Hospital, in Angola.

She was born April 5, 1895 in Mooresville, DeKalb County, the daughter of Joseph and Lula (Baughman) Pifer. On Sept. 9, 1916, she married John A. Kerns in Auburn. He preceded her in death.

Surviving are one daughter, Ruth Loos, Waterloo; two sons, Wayne, Gadsden, Ala., and Earl, Houston, Texas; one sister, Mrs. Harold (Elsie) Wilson, Des Moines, Iowa; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. One sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo with the Rev. Max Smith officiating. Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

George Shields Jr.

George W. Shields Jr., 50, died of a one-year illness Saturday at 11 a.m. in V.A. Hospital in Fort Wayne. The former Garrett resident had lived at 326 W. Pleasant St. in Churubusco since 1970.

Mr. Shields was born Feb. 11, 1928 in Fort Wayne to the late George W. Shields Sr. and Clota Bherms, surviving in Avilla.

He is survived by three sons; Hershell and Walter E. of Garrett, and James, Sarasota, Fla.; a daughter, Miss Cheryl Shields, Fort Wayne; three stepdaughters; Mrs. Anna O'Neill, Union City, Mich.; Mrs. Kleota Mason, Auburn; Mrs. Doris J. Smith, Waterloo; two stepsons; William E. Addis, Tuscon, Ariz., and Mitchell E. Addis, Sturgis, Mich.; 20 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mr. Shields was a World War II veteran, a chaplain for the Churubusco American Legion, and a member of the Garrett VFW, Garrett First Christian Church and the 40-8 Club.

His funeral will be in McKee Funeral Home in Garrett at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

A 40-8 Club service will be held at the funeral home at 8:30 p.m. today. Charles Davis, chaplain of the Garrett American Legion will officiate.

Burial will be in Garrett's Christian Union Cemetery. Graveside services will be officiated by Pete Lung of the Churubusco American Legion.

Thain Farley

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Word has been received here that a former Auburn resident, Thain Farley, died on Friday, Nov. 24.

Mr. Farley was the son of former Auburn Congressman James I. Farley.

Mr. Farley was born in Canora, Iowa on Nov. 17, 1900. He died in Fort Lauderdale following a lengthy illness.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian; two sisters, Francis Spurrier, Philadelphia; and Maxine Shaw, Nantucket Island, Mass.; and one brother, Paul, also of Fort Lauderdale.

Burial will be Tuesday in Fort Lauderdale.

Mary A. Wagner

WATERLOO — Mary A. Wagner, 94, Route 2, Waterloo, died Sunday at 9:45 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home in Avilla.

Mrs. Wagner was born north of Waterloo on June 12, 1883, the brothers, Fred Miller, Waterloo, and Herman Miller, Sacred Heart Nursing Home; one sister, Mrs. Margaret DeLucenay, Ashley; 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

One son, Lennus, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo. Father Matthew Lange will officiate. Burial will be at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, where a rosary will be recited at 8 p.m.

Mary C. Kramer

Mary C. Kramer, 88, died Saturday in Edgewood Nursing Home in Toledo, O.

The former Garrett resident had lived in Toledo for the past three years. She was born Aug. 9, 1890 in Bellvue, Ohio to the late John P. and Bridgett Walsh.

On Nov. 25, 1920, she was married in Fostoria, Ohio to Joseph C. Kramer, who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Kramer is survived by nieces and nephews. She was a member of the Rosary Society of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Garrett and was past president of the Daughters of Isabella.

Her funeral will be in St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Tuesday. The Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate. A rosary service will be held at 7:45 p.m. today in Garrett's McKee Funeral Home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Correction

The Evening Star erroneously reported in a Saturday obituary that John A. Kerns, husband of the deceased Nora M. Kerns, had preceded her in death.

The Star regrets the error.

Lee A. Johnson

GARRETT — Lee A. Johnson, 76, 312 S. Guilford St., Garrett, died at 2:25 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for several years.

Mr. Johnson was born in Garrett on Jan. 1, 1902 and was a lifelong resident. He was a retired employee of the B&O Railroad.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Kopp, whom he married in Continental, Ohio on Oct. 28, 1925.

Also surviving are three brothers, Joseph of Avilla and Steve and Andrew, both of Chicago; two sisters, Mrs. Leo (Angela) Kinny, Garrett and Mrs. Bertha Wojie, Rolling Meadows, Ill.

His funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Wednesday at McKee Funeral Home, where a rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Carl Wetoskey

GARRETT — Carl A. Wetoskey, 86, died Monday at 2:30 p.m. in his home at 110 S. Lee St., Garrett.

Mr. Wetoskey had been a farmer, retiring in 1957. He was born in Waterloo Sept. 6, 1892 and lived in the area most of his life. He married Edith Gaeb at Waterloo on Nov. 19, 1913 and she preceded him in death in 1974.

Surviving are three sons, Carmon, Waterloo; Carl Jr., New Haven; and Mainard, Fremont, Ohio; four daughters, Mrs. John (Sylvia) Myers, Mrs. Job (Geraldine) Malcolm and Miss Shirley Wetoskey, all of Garrett; and Mrs. Cecil (Berniece) Graves, Port Clinton, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Clara Ellert, Ashley and Mrs. Anna Voght, Florida; 24 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

His funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Wednesday at McKee Funeral Home, where a rosary service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

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Dwight Sherck

Funeral arrangements for Dwight Sherck, 24, 713 Erie Pass, Auburn, who died in a traffic accident Monday, have been completed by Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home.

Mr. Sherck was a driver for the Lesser Oil Co. and also an employee of Springfield Enterprises, Harlan. He was born Jan. 20, 1954 in Auburn, the son of John and Wilma (Humbert) Sherck of Route 2, Waterloo. They survive.

On July 17, 1976, he married the former Deborah G. Johnson, who also survives.

Other survivors are one brother, Dean, Route 2, Waterloo; three sisters, Mrs. Vicki Makovicka, Waterloo; Karen Fretz, Greenfield, Ind.; Christine Sherck, at home.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the Indian Village Church of God. Rev. Carroll McNutt and Rev. George Elder will officiate. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. today at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Thur., November 30, 1978

Bonnie E. Warner

HUDSON — Bonnie E. Warner, 39, Route 2, Hudson, died today at 12:25 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, following a three-week illness.

Born March 17, 1939 she was the daughter of Walter and Gardus (Allen) Hanna. Her father survives at Manton, Mich. She married James C. Warner Sept. 21, 1957. He also survives.

Mrs. Warner was a native of Salem Township, Steuben County.

Survivors besides the husband and father, are one daughter, Vicki Warner, at home; three sons, Russell Warner, Roger Warner and Rodney Warner, all at home; one sister, Mrs. Robert (Roberta) Standiford, Brownsburg; and one brother, Bruce Hanna, Route 1, Hudson.

Funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in Helmer United Methodist Church, with Rev. Carl Lott officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home after 7 p.m. tonight and until Sunday noon.

Preferred memorials may be made to Helmer United Methodist Church.

The Evening Star, Fri., December 1, 1978

Jay A. Nodine

WATERLOO — Jay Andrew Nodine, 83, Route 2, Waterloo, died Thursday at 9:45 p.m. in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola.

Mr. Nodine had been a Smithfield Township farmer.

He was born May 3, 1895 in Waterloo, the son of Silas "Doc" and Emmaline (Nable) Nodine. On April 1, 1914, he married the former Mary Lelia Kelley. She died in 1977.

Surviving are one son, Vernon, Route 2, Waterloo; two brothers, Dewey, Angola and Silas, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Goldie Weicht, Waterloo.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo. The Rev. Max Smith will officiate. Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Sat., December 2, 1978

Ilene Maurer

Ilene G. Maurer, 74, of 9 Union St. extended, Garrett, died at 5:58 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital of a one-year illness.

She was born Feb. 13, 1904 in Concord, Ind., to George and Genevieve (Hull) Johnson. On March 24, 1923, she was married in St. Joe to Oliver P. Maurer, surviving.

She is also survived by five brothers; Wayne, Route 1 Corunna; Paul, Cepher Hills, Fla.; and Wilbur, Herbert and Herman, all of Route 1 Garrett;

two daughters: Mrs. Walter Dauber, Bronson, Mich., and Mrs. Maynard Gray, Sturgis, Mich.; a brother, Arthur Johnson, Auburn; and 22 grandchildren.

Mrs. Maurer was a member of Garrett's First Christian Church, V.F.W. Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. Rev. James Platner will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Cancer Fund or to the First Christian Church of Garrett.

The Evening Star, Mon., December 4, 1978

Haskel C. Keith

SPENCERVILLE — Haskel C. Keith, 51, New Haven, died early Sunday while visiting in Bucyrus, Ohio. He was a former Spencerville resident.

Mr. Keith was a World War II veteran and was an employee of the Allmat Corp. in New Haven.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; one son, John, Leo; three daughters, Margaret Griggs, Auburn; Sue Ann Keith, Kendallville, and Marilyn Hardin, Amarillo, Texas; two brothers, one sister and seven grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville. Burial will be at White City Cemetery in Spencerville.

Friends may call after 7 p.m. tonight and after 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Joseph J. Johnson

GARRETT — Joseph J. Johnson, 87, formerly of 109 S. Johnson St., Garrett, died Sunday at 6:16 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home in Avilla, where he had been a patient since 1974.

Mr. Johnson was born Nov. 2, 1891 in Garrett, the son of John and Antonia Johnson. On May 30, 1922 he married the former Estella Bonderbosch in Garrett. She preceded him in death in 1974.

He was an army veteran of World War I and a retired machinist for the B&O Railroad. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

He is survived by one son, Richard, Chicago; two brothers, Steve and Andrew, both of Chicago; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Wojie, Rolling Meadows, Ill.; Mrs. Leo Kinney, Garrett; and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Tuesday at the McKee Funeral Home, where a rosary service will be held at 7:30o p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., December 5, 1978

Lloyd R. Rink

Lloyd R. Rink, 66, 513 W. Twentieth St., Auburn, died at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for one week.

He managed Emely's Restaurant in Marion for 10 years, Auburn's Greenhurst Country Club for seven years, and Auburn Elks Club for two.

He was born in Newville Township in February of 1912 to Harvey and Eva (Laub) Rink. On May 5, 1967 in Auburn, he married Mary Myers, surviving.

Mr. Rink is also survived by a brother; Walter A., Cabool, Mo.; two sisters; Mrs. Mabel I. Fuller and Mrs. Elva Stark, both of Butler; a son; Larry G., and a daughter; Mrs. Kathy D. Powell, both of Reisterstown, Md.; two stepdaughters; Mrs. Lovanne Nugen and Mrs. Jama Diedrich, both of Auburn; and 10 grandchildren.

He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

An Auburn Elks' memorial service will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Lynn Holsinger

Lynn Holsinger, 66, a local schoolteacher for 37 years, died at 5 a.m. Wednesday of a heart attack in his home at 923 N. Van Buren St., Auburn.

He was born Aug. 20, 1912 in Muncie to Lawrence and Marie (Fields) Holsinger. His father died in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 6 p.m. Tuesday. He lived in Muncie. His mother preceded him in death in 1971.

On June 3, 1939 in Angola, Mr. Holsinger married Josephine Getts, who survives. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Ramona Holsinger, Mishawaka.

Mr. Holsinger was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church, the Auburn Lions Club, the Phi Delta Kappa Honorary Fraternity, the Classroom Teachers' Association of Auburn and DeKalb Central, the Auburn Masonic Blue Lodge and the Fort Wayne Scottish Rite and Shrine.

His funeral will be in the First United Methodist Church at 1 p.m. Saturday. The Auburn Masonic Lodge will hold a memorial service at 8 p.m. Friday in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Ralph Kruse

Ralph Kruse, 78, died Monday at 1:31 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a resident of the Auburn Hotel.

Mr. Kruse was a retired farmer and a lifelong resident of the area. He was born in Auburn on July 6, 1900 to the late Lewis and Laura (Baughman) Kruse.

Surviving are a brother, Ward Kruse, of Green Lake (near Angola) and two nieces.

His funeral will be Friday at 10 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. George Schuette will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Lloyd R. Rank

Services for Lloyd R. Rank, 66, will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo. Mr. Rank's name was spelled incorrectly in Tuesday's edition. The Evening Star apologizes for the error.

Mr. Rank died Tuesday morning. He lived at 513 W. Twentieth St., Auburn.

Lawrence Holsinger

DUNKIRK, Ind. — Lawrence A. Holsinger, 86, of Mishawaka, Ind., died Tuesday evening at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born March 22, 1892 in Dunkirk, Ind., the son of John and Bertha Holsinger.

He lived in Muncie for many years and was a retired employee of Warner Gear. He was president of the Warner Gear Credit Union for several years.

He and his wife, Marie, who died in 1971, operated a summer resort at Hogback Lake near Angola. He was a member of the Moose order in Muncie.

He is survived by one daughter, Ramona, Mishawaka; one sister, Gelda Fields, Wilmington, Del.; and several nieces.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Friday at Meek's Mortuary in Muncie with Rev. John Dicken of Auburn officiating. Entombment will be in the Elmridge Mausoleum.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the mortuary.

Gladys H. Batdorf

Gladys H. Batdorf, 81, of Auburn, died at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital following a two-month illness. She had been hospitalized one week.

She lived at 116½ E. Sixth St. in Auburn for three years. She was born on Aug. 19, 1897 in Waterloo to Frank and Aerial (Miller) Beard. On Dec. 23, 1916, she was married to Dwight L. Batdorf, who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Batdorf is survived by three sisters; Mrs. Zeddis Frick, Waterloo; Mrs. Francis Bosselman, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Marcelle Dean, Auburn; one grandson; Jack L. Kiser, Kenya, Alaska; and two great grandchildren.

Her funeral will be in Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Friday. The Rev. Ronald E. Bishop, a Nazarene minister from Payne, Ohio, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the Heart Association or to the Cancer Fund.

Roy D. Warstler

Roy D. Warstler, 70, 330 W. Fifteenth St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 11:10 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for the past three weeks.

Mr. Warstler was born Nov. 13, 1908 in Jackson Township, the son of Alva and Nancy (Kester) Warstler. He was a retired inspector with Warner Gear. On March 14, 1929 he married the former Laura Bishop in St. Joe. She survives.

Also surviving are four sons, R. Gene, Auburn; Billy, Churubusco; Alva L., Kokomo; and Clifford, New Haven; two daughters, Mrs. Gerald (Lucy) Anders, Huntington; and Mrs. Margie Woodcock, Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mrs. Ray (Vernie) Armstrong, Auburn; and Mrs. Flossie Armstrong, Butler; 20 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home with Pastor John Dicken officiating. Burial will be at Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Raymond H. Gift

BUTLER — Raymond H. Gift, 59, a former Butler resident, died Sunday in Lincoln, Neb.

Mr. Gift was a real estate salesman. He was born July 2, 1919 in Edgerton, Ohio to the late Frank and Ruth (Swinehart) Gift.

Surviving are three children, Carolyn Pigman, Warsaw, Ind.; Cheryl Doan and Stephen Gift, both of Bourbon, Ind.; a brother, Allen, of Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Vivian Shannon, Butler; and six grandchildren.

Masonic services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Eddy Cemetery. Friends may call after 7 p.m. Friday at Johnson Funeral Home.

The Evening Star, Fri., December 8, 1978

George Hofferman

GARRETT — George E. Hofferman, 72, 405 N. Randolph St., Garrett, died at 7:18 a.m. Thursday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient at the hospital since Nov. 20.

A lifelong resident of Garrett, he was born May 7, 1906 to William and Minnie (Duchow) Hofferman. He was a foundry employee in both Auburn and Garrett.

Mr. Hofferman is survived by one brother, Earhart, Garrett.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church, will officiate.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., December 9, 1978

Evart Erdly

WOLF LAKE— Evart F. Erdly, 67, died at 4:55 a.m. Friday in the Lutheran Hospital Fort Wayne. He was a retired farmer and a lifelong Noble County resident.

Mr. Erdly was born May 1, 1911 in Noble County, the son of Leo B. and Emma (Grimes) Erdly.

He married Pauline Bair, Nov. 4, 1938 in Ligonier. Mr. Erdly was a member of the Wolf Lake Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife, four sons, William E., Wolf Lake, Charles E., Dugger, Jim L. and David L., both of Ligonier; one daughter, Kayanne J. Erdly, Wolf Lake; one brother, Dewey Erdly, Columbia City; five sisters, Mrs. Ruth Waters, Wolf Lake, Mrs. Charles (Golda) Laur, Garrett, Mrs. Dutch (Margaret) Vanderbush, Avilla, Mrs. Blanche Lee, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Bernard (Ella) Clay, Columbia City; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Wolf Lake United Methodist Church with Rev. Carl Wilkinson officiating. Burial will be in Wolf Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, after 7 p.m. tonight and all day Sunday. The family requests memorials to the emergency services of Wolf Lake.

The Evening Star, Mon., December 11, 1978

Alma E. Prentice

Alma E. Prentice, 86, Route 1, Hudson, died at 1:05 p.m. Sunday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, following a two-week illness.

Born in Noble County, Oct. 19, 1892, she was the daughter of John and Julia (Spatz) Ewell. She married Marvin A. Prentice Jan. 22, 1914. He preceded her in death June 17, 1962.

Mrs. Prentice was a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, rural Hudson.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Warren (Leona) Becker, Route 1, Hudson; three sons, Ralph E. Prentice, Route 1, Hudson; Neil A. Prentice, Route 1, St. Joe; and Wallace E. Prentice, Route 2, Kendallville; 19 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Three brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in St. John Lutheran Church, Kendallville, with Rev. Donald J. Algar officiating.

Burial will be in Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, after 2 p.m Tuesday.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Prince of Peace Church building fund.

Everett A. Stewart

MARION — Word has been received here of the recent death of Everett A. Stewart, a former Auburn resident, in Marion, Ind.

He and his wife, Betty, worked for the Auburn Automobile Co. before moving to Marion. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Stewart was a purchasing agent for Marion Malleable Iron Co.

Both he and his wife were graduates of Auburn High School and the parents of one daugher, Judy Bishop. A grandson and granddaughter also survive in Marion.

Services were held today at Ravens Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn.

No Obituary on Tues., December 12, 1978

The Evening Star, Weds., December 13, 1978

Toney Howard

GARRETT — Toney Howard, 76, Route 1, Garrett, died Tuesday at 11:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since Dec. 8.

Mr. Howard had been employed by Electric Motors in Garrett.

He was born May 9, 1902 in Magoffin, Ky., the son of John and Sally Howard. On October 6, 1922, he married the former Grace Hicks in Pyramid, Ky. She preceded him in death in 1965.

Surviving are two sons, Ell, Hueysville, Ky. and Ed, Route 1, Garrett; four daughters, Mrs. Henry (Mary) Isham, Garrett; Mrs. Frank (Milgie) Dennis, Rock Island, Ill.; Mrs. J.W. (Mavis) Vanderpool, Garrett; and Mrs. Joe (Glenna) Rugman, Auburn; one brother, Graydon, Pyramid, Ky.; one sister, Mrs. Annie Shepherd, Avilla; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Salyersville, Ky. Burial will be at the Howard family cemetery in Gunlock, Ky.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Thursday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett.

The Evening Star, Thur., December 14, 1978

Kenneth Mettert Sr.

ST. JOE — Kenneth L. Mettert Sr., 79, Route 1, St. Joe, died Wednesday at 10:35 a.m. in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there since Tuesday and was ill for the past several years.

Mr. Mettert had lived at his St. Joe area home since 1946. He worked at Syncro Corp. in Hicksville from 1957 to his retirement in 1965. He also worked 25 years at General Electric in Fort Wayne as a toolmaker and supervisor.

He was born April 30, 1899 in Carryall Township, Paulding County, Ohio. His parents were the late William H. and Maude (Getrost) Mettert.

He married O. Mildred Fletcher in 1917 at Jackson, Mich. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a son, Kenneth L. Mettert Jr., Harlan; a sister, Mrs. Bea Beerbower, Bryan, Ohio; one granddaughter and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. Officiating will be Harvey Hacker, minister of the Harlan Church of Christ, where Mr. Mettert was a member. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 o'clock tonight and after 9 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Masonic services will be held Friday at 8 p.m. by Lodge 556, Spencerville, where Mr. Mettert was a member. He also was a member of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Fort Wayne.

The Evening Star, Fri., December 15, 1978

Patrick W. Refner

Patrick W. Refner, 29, 213 S. Center St., Auburn, died at 7 p.m. Thursday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient for three days. He had been ill for six months.

Mr. Refner was born July 11, 1949, the son of Willard and Martha (Fetter) Refner, who survive at 213 S. Center St., Auburn.

Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Joyce Moppin, Rugers, Ark., and Mrs. Christine Costin, Garrett.

Mr. Refner was a 1967 graduate of Auburn High School and was employed by the Wakefield Corporation in Waterloo. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, where he was awarded three Purple Hearts, the Bronze Star and other honors.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday in the Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn. Msgr. Leo A. Hoffmann will officiate. Burial will be at Catholic Cemetery in Auburn, with military graveside services by the Auburn American Legion.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo where a rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat., December 16, 1978

B. Mardelle Davis

B. Mardelle Davis, 62, Route 2, Kendallville, died of carcinoma at 11:30 a.m. Friday in the Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis. She had been in failing health five years.

Mrs. Davis was born May 15, 1916, near Hamilton, a daughter of George and Minnie (Alwood) Headley, and was married Jan. 8, 1937, in New Haven to Wayne (Steve) Davis.

The husband survives, along with two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Provines, Auburn, and Miss Connie Davis, at home; a brother, George Headley, Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. Bernard Lockwood, Auburn; and a granddaughter.

Mrs. Davis was a member of the Kendallville Beacon Baptist Church.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, Charles Davis officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

The Evening Star, Mon., December 18, 1978

Jennie M. Lane

Jennie M. Lane, 100, died Sunday at 5:50 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient since Nov. 29.

The former Garrett resident lived at 1104 Superior Drive in Auburn with her daughter.

She was born May 2, 1878 in Sherwood, Ind. to Alec and Sarah (Price) Horn. In 1919 in Garrett, she was married to Martin V.B. Lane, who preceded her in death.

She is survived by a son, Onan Laughman, Tri-Lakes, Columbia City; a daughter, Mrs. Clarence Eley, Auburn; a stepson, Wendell Lane, Kendallville; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Eldora Linse, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Leo Dennis, Auburn; four grandchildren, five stepgrandchildren, six great grandchildren and six stepgreat grandchildren.

Mrs. Lane was a member of the Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the Order of the Eastern Star in Hicksville, Ohio, and the Garrett United Presbyterian Church.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Allen T. Reed will officiate. Burial will be in Hicksville Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

No Obituary on Tues., December 19, 1978
No Obituary on Weds., December 20, 1978
No Obituary on Thur., December 21, 1978

Ina M. Brown

AVILLA — Ina M. Brown, 83, died Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had been a patient there since Oct. 24, 1975. Her home was on Route 1, Avilla.

Mrs. Brown was born April 11, 1895 in Noble County to the late V. Clare and Mary (Jarrett) Simon.

She was the wife of the late Don Brown, whom she married in 1915. He preceded her in death on April 13, 1953. A son, Don, died in 1933.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Ruderman, Huntertown; Mrs. Larry (Shirley) Wiley, Cortez, Fla.; Mrs. Richard (Wilma) Perry, Ligonier; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Brown was a member of the Home Demonstration Club and Emanual Lutheran Church, LaOtto.

Her funeral will be Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Officiating will be Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery, Churubusco.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday. Memorials to the Huntertown or LaOtto Fire Department are preferred.

Floyd Maurer

Floyd E. Maurer, 91, 909 S. Jackson St., Auburn, died Thursday at 8:05 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for five years and hospitalized for four days.

Mr. Maurer was a retired farmer. He was born in DeKalb County on Aug. 27, 1887 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Maurer. He married Laura Baker on Nov. 14, 1912 and she preceded him in death in 1971. A daughter, Mrs. Hubert Provines, also preceded him in death.

He is survived by four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. Carl Wirey, pastor emeritus of Auburn First United Methodist Church, where Mr. Maurer was a member. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4:30 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Sat., December 23, 1978

Elza Rohm

WATERLOO — Elza F. Rohm, 80, Route 2, Waterloo, died at 1:30 a.m. today at the Butler Hotel Rest Home.

Mr. Rohm was born Aug. 21, 1898 at Route 4, Auburn, the son of Ezra and Amellia (Walker) Rohm. On Oct. 14, 1925, he married the former Martha Till in Hillsdale, Mich. She survives.

Mr. Rohm was a retired farmer. He had also worked at the Wakefield Corp. in Waterloo and retired in 1968 from the State Highway Department.

Surviving are one son, Carl E., Butler; three sisters, Mrs. Luella Miller, Holt, Mich.; Mrs. Mildred Keller, Route 1, Hudson; Mrs. Myrtle Shaffer, Atlanta, Mich.; and two grandchildren. One brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo with the Rev. Lowell Yeatts officiating. Burial will be at the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

No Obituary on Mon., December 25, 1978

The Evening Star, Tues., December 26, 1978

Ira Hook

ST. JOE — Ira K. Hook, 79, Route 1, St. Joe, died Sunday at 4:30 a.m. in Hicksville (Ohio) Community Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for one year and hospitalized for three weeks.

Mr. Hook retired from Nationwide Insurance Co. in 1968. He was also a farmer, and a member of the Newville Township Advisory Board.

He was born in Hicksville on Feb. 6, 1899 to the late Isaac and Anna (Beerbower) Hook. He married Elva Hilbert in Hicksville on Feb. 18, 1920.

His wife survives, along with three daughters, Mrs. Farrell (Leitha) Evans, Belleview, Fla.; Mrs. Don (Eloise) Cook, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Carroll (Dorothy) Shanks, Findlay, Ohio; and two sons, Wayne, Knoxville, Tenn. and Vance, Hicksville. Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. Ollie M. Miller, Stanwood, Mich.; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. Officiating will be Pastor William Powers of Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church, where Mr. Hook was a member. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery, Allen County.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today and after 9 a.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Weds., December 27, 1978

LeRoy Johnson

FORT WAYNE — LeRoy K. "Roy" Johnson, 56, of Fort Wayne, died in his home at 6:20 p.m. Sunday.

Surviving are his wife Mary Virginia; four sons, Michael, of Auburn; Steven, Mark and Charles, all of Fort Wayne; three daughters, Sheila Urbine and Cheryl Holtzberg, both of Fort Wayne; and Debra Yoder, of Hicksville, Ohio; three brothers and three sisters.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home. Burial will be at Covington Memorial Park.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 today.

Preferred memorials are to the hospice program at Parkview Memorial Hospital or Christ Church at Georgetown.

Francis Gerardot

Francis M. Gerardot, 62, Route 1, Auburn, died Tuesday at 1:11 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Gerardot, a toolmaker for Dana Corporation, was born Mar. 18 1916 in Allen County. His wife, Edna Lamb Gerardot, survives at their home on County Road 35.

Also surviving are five sons; Bernon, Hamilton; Gerald, Auburn; Lloyd, Denver; George and Kenneth, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors are three brothers, Ralph and Leonard, of Monroeville, and Clarence of Woodburn; four sisters, Anna Bowers, New Haven; Bernadette Hugenard, New Haven; Marcella Spieth, Woodburn and Agnes Gerardot, Monroeville; and nine grandchildren.

Services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday at the D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Foster Park, Fort Wayne, and at 11 a.m. in St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Fort Wayne, where Mr. Gerardot was a member. Rev. David Carkenord will officiate.

A rosary will be recited tonight at 7 p.m. in St. Andrew's. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Calling is from 1 to 4 p.m., and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

June Gschwend

June Gschwend, 88, 205 Brandon Road, Auburn, died Tuesday at 7:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been hospitalized for two days.

Before moving to Auburn, Mrs. Gschwend lived in Waterville, Ohio for 70 years. She was a retired housewife. She was born W. June Russell in Ohio on July 26, 1890.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Henry F. Gschwend; a son, Ned N. Gschwend, Auburn; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Gschwend was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Waterville, Ohio.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in Merrimn Funeral Home, Waterville. Rev. Wolfe will officiate. Burial will be in Wakeman Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Memorials to St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn are preferred.

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